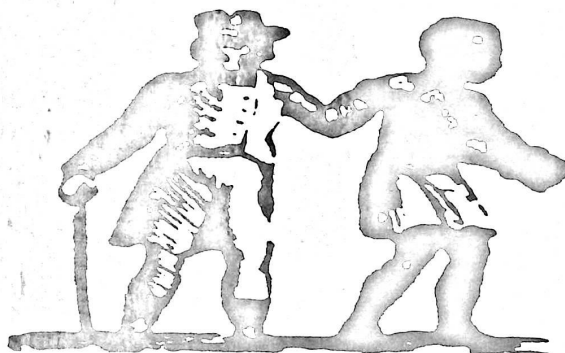




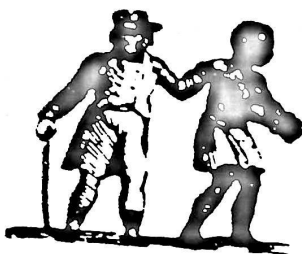
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Dedication

**This book is dedicated to my slave ancestors
of
Hempstead County, Arkansas**

*Sye Anderson, born in Mississippi between 1848 & 1852
Harriett Norwood Anderson, born in Arkansas, February 1856*

*Sam Austin, born in Arkansas abt. 1844
Julia Austin, born in Mississippi abt. 1852*

*Dave Calhoun, born in Arkansas abt. 1842
Malissa Stuart Calhoun, born in Tennessee abt. 1844*

*Reddick Jordan, born in Tennessee, October 1840
Dora Moore Jordan, born in Arkansas December 1858
&
Unknown Slave Ancestors*

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Preface

The information in this book was abstracted from microfilmed copies of Hempstead County, Arkansas deed books. These records cover the territorial days of Arkansas 1819 up to the period of 1850. Due to the difficulty many African American genealogists encounter once they reach the antebellum period of their research, the author attempts to provide easier access to names of slave ancestors hidden away in transactions generally indexed only by the white owner(s) such as "bills of sales, deeds of gifts, sheriff's sales, hiring contracts and other transactions pertaining to early slaves and free people of color. Slave names have been "bolded" to stand out and apart from the owner's other property of chattel, land, household furnishings, etc. Due to the author's main interest in the abstraction of slave names; other property, terms, or conditions of the deed may not be listed, but noted only as---*other property and terms described*...

The following criteria was used by the author in abstracting information (1) slaves had to be mentioned by name in most instances, (2) bills of sale were abstracted providing the following information: grantor, grantee, item for sale, consideration, date of transaction and date recorded if different; other names would include witnesses, justices of the peace, county clerks, etc.; (3) emancipations or manumissions, indentures, certificates of freedom and/or freedom papers have been fully transcribed; (4) if, slave owners indicate being residents of counties and states other than Hempstead County that information has been provided; otherwise, the reader can assume the persons named are citizens of the county. It is advisable to look for variations in the spellings of both given and surnames. In many cases, the same name can be found spelled differently throughout the same document. The author has attempted to clarify the correct spelling of surnames by checking county histories and state census indexes, along with other available sources. If the handwriting appeared too illegible, the author gives an alternative spelling enclosed in parenthesis. It is also advisable to use this book simply as the reference or guide it was written to be, when at all possible it is always advisable to go directly to the source for yourself!

The names in this book have been indexed alphabetically using first names of slaves and first and last names of slave owners and free persons of color.

Best of luck in your search!

Time Line of Events

1818 - Hempstead County created.

1819 - Arkansas Territory created from the southern portion of Missouri.

1836 - Arkansas becomes the 25th state to enter the Union.

1838 - Legislature forbids immigration of "free" blacks to settle in Arkansas without producing a "Certificate of Freedom" within twenty (20) days and posting bond.

1839 - The Arkansas General Assembly enacted a law providing for individual emancipation of slaves by slave owners. (*Whereas various other states have mandated laws against emancipation of slaves, it has never been against the law to emancipate individual slaves in Arkansas*).

1843 - Legislature prohibiting further emigration of "free" Negroes into Arkansas and those present to post bond.

1859 - *Arkansas General Assembly Act No. 151* - The Arkansas Legislature passed this law requiring all "free" Negroes to leave the state. "Free" Negroes had until January 1, 1860 to leave, those who chose to remain were to be re-enslaved. The law was repealed in the next session and many Negroes were permitted to return under certain restrictions.

1861 - Civil War begins.

1861 - Arkansas seceded from the Union as Civil War began.

1861 - The legislature extended the date of departure until January 1, 1863 by which time the law, the legislature had become almost inoperative.

1863 - Emancipation Proclamation (January 1, 1863) - freed only slaves in states in rebellion against the United States.

1865 - 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution ratified, abolishing slavery (December 6, 1865). The official end of slavery.

1865 - Civil War ends.

1865 - The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmens and Abandoned Lands (Freedmen's Bureau) established by the federal government to assist slaves in transition from slavery to freedom.

1866 - An act of the Arkansas General Assembly to legalize marriages of persons of color living together as husband and wife and their children legitimate.

1869 - The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmens and Abandoned Lands (Freedmen's Bureau) closes.

1873 - Howard County created from Hempstead County (many former slaves living in neighboring Howard County).

BIOGRAPHIES OF FREE PEOPLE OF COLOR

Free People of Color living in Hempstead County, Arkansas up to the year of 1850 and transactions documenting their presence during this time period only.

Barrett, Caroline

Place of Origin: Georgia

1850 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Saline Twp.

Bradley, Anna - (Freedwoman)

Place of Origin: Missouri

1839 - Lease of Land - [Deed Book D, pp. 463-463] - (p. 51)

1839 - Emancipation - [Deed Book E, p. 395] - (p. 58)

Enumerated with husband Gad Bradley on 1850 Arkansas Census-Hempstead County-Washington Twp. (See also pages 92, 113).

Bradley, Gad

Place of Origin: Tennessee

Occupation: Blacksmith in Washington Twp.

1839 - Husband to Ann Bradley - [Deed Book E, p. 395] - (p. 58)

1840 Arkansas Census, Hempstead County - p.163

1846 - Bill of Sale - Mortgage of Land - [Book G, pp. 251-252] - (p. 92)

1848 - Bill of Sale - Sale of Land - [Book H, pp. 237-239] - (p. 113)

1850 Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Washington Twp., p. 208

Bradley, Joseph

Place of Origin: Arkansas

1850 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Ozan Twp. (age 13), p. 212

Carter, Elisha & Winy

Place of Origin: Virginia/South Carolina

1850 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Red Land Twp., p. 491

Demesy (Dimory), Stephen

Place of Origin: North Carolina

1841 - Certificate of Character - from Catahoula Parish, Louisiana [Deed Book D, p. 377] (p. 57)

A Stephen Drenner listed in 1840 Arkansas Census-Hempstead County.

1850 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead Co., Washington Twp. with **Ezekiel** (age 21, born in Tennessee), p. 208

Drew, Solomon

Place of Origin: North Carolina

1847 - Lost Freedom Papers: Affidavit from DeSota County, Mississippi vouching his status as Free Person of Color - [Book G, p. 477] - (p. 104)

1850 Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Carouse Twp. with **Ruth Drew** (age 45) and **Burriel Madden** (age 5), p. 459

Note: Page numbers enclosed in parenthesis and italicized indicate where you will find information located in this book. The word township is abbreviated, twp.

BIOGRAPHIES OF FREE PEOPLE OF COLOR

Jacobs, Sally - (See Roberson, Zachariah)

Johnson, Martin

1840 Census - Hempstead County, p. 179

1845 - Marriage to **Nancy Johnson** [Hempstead County Marriages: 1819-1856]

1847 - Emancipation of **Harriett Francis Johnson** by Martin Johnson (her father) a free man of color - [Book H, pp. 18-19] - (p. 107)

Oakley, Maria

1841 - Emancipation [Book E, p. 427] - (p. 59)

1849 - Bill of Sale - Purchase of Land - [Book H, pp. 296-297] - (p. 115)

1850 - Arkansas Census - Hempstead County - Washington Twp. - p. 209

Madding Family: Jacob Madding (Maddin)

1840 - Arkansas Census - Hempstead County, p. 176

1846 - Indenture of Apprenticeship for children: **Eberline, William, Moses, John, Frank,**

Jeremina, Green, George, Washington - [Deed Book G, pp. 284-285] - (p. 95)

1850 - Arkansas Census - Hempstead County - Missouri Twp. with **?Clany, William, Moses, John, George, James, Absolom, ?Clany, Minerva, Jamima**, Green, Wash,

?D_____ and Thomas, p. 481

Mundel, William

1842- Indenture of Apprenticeship - [Deed Book F, pp. 95-96] - (p. 68)

Murnford, Henry

Place of Origin: Anson County, North Carolina

1833 - Certificate of Character with wife, **Sally** and children: **Caroline, Rachel and infant child** [Deed Book D, pp. 443-444] - (p. 49)

1840 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, p. 169

Pennington, Dolly

Place of Origin: North Carolina

1834 - Bill of Sale - Purchase of daughter, **Nancy** - [Deed Book C, p. 467] - (p. 43)

1850 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Ozan Twp., with **Nancy Pennington** (born in Kentucky), p. 441

Roberts, Tom

Place of Origin: Beaufort County, North Carolina

1840 - Certificate of Freedom - [Deed Book E, pp. 272-273] - (p. 55)

Roberson, Zachariah

Place of Origin: Anson County, North Carolina

1839 - Certificate of Character - [Deed Book E, p. 49-50] - (p. 52) with wife, **Betsy Roberson** and children: **Charles Roberson, Alan Roberson, Hannah Roberson, John Roberson, Coleman Roberson, Daniel Roberson, Mary Roberson, Mumford Roberson, ?Mar_h Roberson, ?Moarning Roberson, _____Roberson and Sally Jacobs** (mother of Zachariah Roberson)

1840 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, p. 170

BIOGRAPHIES OF FREE PEOPLE OF COLOR

Robinson, Daniel

Place of Origin: Gibson County, Tennessee

1839 - Certificate of Character - [Deed Book D, pp. 445-446] - (p. 50)

Robinson, Elbert

Place of Origin: Anson County, North Carolina

1839 - Certificate of Character - [Deed Book D, pp. 451-452] - (p. 50)

1845 - Marriage to **Eliza Ann Johnson** - [Hempstead County Marriages: 1819-1856]

Robinson, John

Place of Origin: Gibson County, Tennessee

1839 - Certificate of Character - [Deed Book D, pp. 444-445] - (p. 49)

Stuart, William (born free)

1821 - Certificate of Freedom - with parents **Wm. & Kissy Stuart** (also born free)

[Deed Book B, p. 46] - (p. 23)

Welch, John

Place of Origin: Alabama

Occupation: Blacksmith in Washington Twp.

1843 - Certificate of Freedom - [Deed Book F, pp. 210-211] - (p. 72)

1844 - Bill of Sale - Deed of Mortgage on slave George (age 12), probably his son-

[Deed Book F, pp. 441-442] - (p. 76)

1845 - Bill of Sale - Land Purchase - [Deed Book G, pp. 153-154] - (p. 87)

1846 - Bill of Sale - Mortgaging Land - [Deed Book G, p. 230] - (p. 92)

1850 - Arkansas Census - Hempstead County, Washington Twp. with **George Welch** (age 10),
p. 209

Kiesey Williams

Place of Origin: N. Carolina

1850 - Arkansas Census, Hempstead County, Ozan Twp., p. 437

INDEX OF EMANCIPATIONS

Emancipation of **Eli** (boy child) by Edward Bradley - [Book AA, p. 37] - (p. 2)

Emancipation of **Nance** by William Cravens- [Book BB, pp. 63-65] - (p. 6)

Emancipation of **Frank** by Thomas Terrant - [Book B, pp. 22-23] - (p. 20)

Emancipation of **James Humbor** by Joseph Reed (Agent for William Reed, *deceased*)
[Book B, pp. 39-40] - (p. 21)

Emancipation of **Sollomon, Dina, Nephres, Amareda, Nerve, Prusilla, Peter, Souley, Kitty, Lewis, Carline, Vice Lee** by John Berry - [Book B, pp. 81-82] - (p. 27)

Emancipation of **Rose** by John Holeman - [Book B, pp. 393-394] - (p. 34)

Emancipation of **Boatswain** by Hardy Hunter - [Book B, p. 422] - (p. 36)

Emancipation of **Edman Wade** by John Glass - [Book D, p. 56] - (p. 44)

Emancipation of **Ann Bradley** by James Harrison - [Book E, p. 395] - (p. 58)

Emancipation of **Maria** by James W. Finley (Executor for the Estate of Allen M. Oakley)
[Book E, p. 427] - (p. 59)

Emancipation of **Sabra** by James Brenen - [Book F, p. 474] - (p. 77)

Deed Book AA - Probate, Marriage, Etc. - 1819-1825 Hempstead County, Arkansas

The Index to Deed Book AA indicate that the following (6) Bill of Sales: Grayham to Grayham can be found on pp. 16-17-18-19-20...No pages numbers on top of pages.

Bill of Sale - No page #

Grantor: Richard Grayham of Warren County

Grantee: Elisabeth Grayham

Item: a negro man name **Jes**

Consideration: \$400

Date: 19 May 1813 Recorded: 7 Nov 1820

Other Names: Lany Grayham, Asenett H. Grayham, William Sims, J.P. (Hempstead County, Saline Twp.), James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - No page #

Grantor: Richard Grayham of Warren County

Grantee: Elisabeth Grayham

Item: a Negro name **Bale**

Consideration: \$300

Date: (?)17 May 1814 Recorded: 6 Nov 1820

Other Names: Lany Grayham, Asenatt Grayham, William Sims, J.P. (Hempstead County, Saline Twp.)

Bill of Sale - No page #

Grantor: Richard Grayham of Warren County

Grantee: Elisabeth Grayham (Graham)

Item: a Negro man name **Ned**

Consideration: \$500

Date: 6 September 1814 Recorded: 7 Nov 1820

Other Names: Asenatt Graham, Lany Graham, William Sims, J.P. (Hempstead County, Saline Twp.)

Bill of Sale - No page #

Grantor: Richard Graham of Warren County

Grantee: Elisebeth Graham of Saline Township

Item: \$500

Consideration: a Negro woman name **Hanner**

Date: 4 September 1814 Recorded: 6 Nov 1820

Other Names: Asenatt Graham, Lany Graham, William Sims, J.P. (Hempstead County, Saline Twp.), James M. Stuart, Clerk

Arkansas was created from the Missouri Territory 1819. The location of the Warren County mentioned in the first six deed records is uncertain. Arkansas has a Warren Township, but no county by that name. Warren County, Missouri was not established until 1833.

Deed Book AA - Probate, Marriage, Etc. - 1819-1825 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - No page #

Grantor: Richard Graham of Warren County

Grantee: Elisebeth Graham of Saline Township

Item: a Negro woman by the name of **Rachel**

Consideration: \$300

Date: 19 May 1813 Recorded: 7 November 1820

Others: Asenatt Graham, Lany Graham, William Sims, J.P. (Hempstead County, Saline Twp.), James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - No page #

Grantor: Richard Graham of Warren County

Grantee: Elisebeth Graham of Saline Township, Hempstead County

Item: a Negro woman by the name of **Luse**

Consideration: \$200

Date: 6 Sep 1814 Recorded: 7 Nov 1820

Other Names: Asenett Graham, Lany Graham, William Sims, J.P., James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 31-34

Grantor: James McLelland - County of Arkansas, Territory of Missouri

Grantee: (sons) Francis McLeland, John McLeland, James McLeland (daughter) Martha Thompson (grandchildren; children of Martha) Nancy Elisa McLeland, Betsey Thompson, James Thompson, Stephen Thompson

Item: Negro woman named **Jude** and her child **Dave**

Consideration: for the love and affection and the sum of \$1

Date: 12 March 1818 Recorded: 29 August 1819

Other Names: Ruddell Wilson, JP

Bill of Sale - p. 34

Grantor: James McLeland - County of Arkansas, Territory of Missouri

Grantee: John McLeland

Item: Negroes **Torrs & Phillis**

Consideration: \$1.00 for the love and affection I have for my son

Date: 1 November 1817 Recorded: 6 May 1820

Other Names: Matthew Moss, JP, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Emancipation (transcribed) - Edward Bradley to Eli - p. 37

Know all men by these presents that I Edward Bradley of the county of Hempstead and Territory of Arkansas for the humanity and discretion to and by these presents do fully Emancipate and forever set free from Slavery both from me and other persons whatsoever the following malato boy child known by the name **Eli** Eighteen months old given under my hand this thirteenth day of August Eighteen hundred and twenty

Edward Bradley

Allowed by the court this day and date
above written

Territory of Arkansas

I do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument of writing to be thereby recorded in my office
Book A page 37 this 30th day of August 1820

James M. Stuart, clerk

Deed Book AA - Probate, Marriage, Etc. - 1819-1825 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 38

Grantor: James Bryan

Grantee: Edward John

Item: one Negro man slave named **Ralph** aged 35 years

Consideration: \$600

Date: 13 December 1819 Recorded: 29 October 1820

Other Names: James Cummins, Jere Paston, Jacob Scallom, JP, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Will & Testament - p. 51

Grantor: Charles Wheaton

Grantee: His children

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Melama my Negro girl **Liz**. Bequeath to my son Charles my Negro boy **Adam**. Bequeath to my son Isam my Negro boy **Hiram**.

Other property named...

Date: 11 September 1821 Recorded: 12 December 1821

Other Names: A. Brauen, D.T. Witter, N.D. Smith

Will & Testament - pp. 58-60

Grantor: James Bradley

Grantee: (wife) Jane Bradley, (sons) Davidson Bradley and John Bradley (daughter) Martha, grandson, mother and sister, Polly Bradley.

Item: Bequeath to wife, Jane Bradley my Negro man **Mingo** and **Dolly** his wife with their two children **Bird** and **Sally** together with all their increase. Bequeath to John Bradley Negroes **Henry**, **Dave**, **Lewis**, **Robin**, **Candy** and **Hester** and their increase. Bequeath to daughter Martha Negroes **Cely**, **Ritty** and **Jenny** **Lucy**, **Elizabeth** and **Daniel** together with their increase.

Other property named...

Date: ____ February 1822 [date blank] Recorded: 10 March 1822

Other Names: Thomas Wooldridge, G. Hill, John Bradley, William H. Emery, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Inventory & Appraisement of Goods - p. 65-67

Estate Of: Luke Ward, *deceased*

Date: 24 July 1822 Recorded: 21 Mar 1823

Administrators: Rebecca Ward and Gilbert Clark

Item: Negro man (\$700), Negro woman (\$500), Negro girl (\$300), Negro boy (\$275) - *other items listed...*[Rebecca Ward hired Negro man Jack, hired Negro woman Cloe, hired Negro girl]

Other Names: William Yates, William Sims, J.P.; James Stuart, Clerk

Inventory & Appraisement of Goods - p. 68-70

Estate Of: James Fowler, *deceased*

Item: Negro males: man Gilbert, age 35 (\$675), Jesse age 23 (\$700), Little Tom (\$625), Big Tom age 26 (\$800), Hasulos (\$550), Reuben age 27 (\$850). Boys: Isaac \$200, George age 3 (\$175), David (\$300), John age 1 (\$150), Jonathan (\$100)

Negro females: woman Mill age 21 (\$500), Cloe (\$550), Milly (\$550) Lucy (\$550), Amy (\$525). Girls: Mariah (\$150), Calia (\$250), Mary (\$225), Nancy (\$150), Luckey (\$100).

Total value of slaves: \$8,675 *Other property listed...*

Date: 23 Nov 1822 Recorded: ____ April 1823

Other Names: Mathias Click, John B. Dilliard & Daniel Wilburn, appraisers; James M. Stuart, clerk and judge of probates

Inventory & Appraisement of Goods - p. 73

Estate Of: Charles Wheaton, *deceased* - Hempstead County, Arkansas Territory

Date: 31 Jul 1822 Recorded: 30 Apr 1823

Executors: Joseph Neely and Wm. Yates

Executrix: Melanca Wheaton

Item: Negro man Adam (\$500), Negro boy Hiram (\$400)...*other property listed.*

Other Names: James Stuart, Clerk

Estate Settlement - pp.74-76

Estate Of: Edward Littnell, *deceased*

Administrator: Larkin Edward

Item: Negro appraised, not sold \$600. Hire of a Negro \$105

Date: 23 July 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Inventory and Appraisement

Estate Of: John McLane

Administrator: John Clark

Item: Negro child Leurs (\$200), Negro child Philip (\$200), Negro child Luzina (\$100).

Other property listed...

Date: 21 Sep 1825

Other Names: John Pettigrew, Appraiser, John M. Props, Thomas Carr, A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book BB - Wills, Marriages, Etc. - 1820-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 19-20

Grantor: Elisha Baker

Grantee: Hewitt Burt

Item: a certain Negro girl slave about 13 years of age named **Philis**

Consideration: \$500

Date: 22 Mar 1821 Recorded: 6 Aug 1821

Other Names: Rowland Hewett, Henry Brewer, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 24-25

Grantor: James McLeland Sr. - County of Arkansas, Territory of Missouri

Grantee: James McLeland Jr. (son)

Item: one Negro man named **Peter** and Negro woman **Rose**

Consideration: \$1 for the love and affection I have for my son

Date: 1 Nov 1817 Recorded: 10 Dec 1821 (Hempstead County)

Other Names: Matthew Moss, JP; James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 30-31

Grantor: Aaron G. Johnson

Grantee: William Sims

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Pricilla**, age about 16 years

Consideration: \$600

Date: 14 Jan 1822 Recorded: 17 Jul 1822

Other Names: James S. Hanks, Nancy Simms, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 31-32

Grantor: Simon Miller

Grantee: John Tollett, Esq.

Item: one Negro boy named **Jacob** about 9 years old

Consideration: \$600

Date: 5 Jun 1822 Recorded: 17 Jul 1822

Other Names: Cornelius Brown, James H. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 35

Grantor: Hiram Smith

Grantee: Patrick Sharkey

Item: a certain Negro Woman **Sarah** and her male child **Dick**

Consideration: \$587.50

Date: 4 Sep 1822 Recorded: 4 Sept 1822

Other Name: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 54

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurman

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: a certain Negro woman called **Rode** about 19 and a Negro child named **Julett** aged 2 years

Consideration: \$650

Date: 9 Sep 1822 Recorded: 7 Dec 1822

Other Names: John Clarke, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 55

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurman

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: a certain female slave named **Juda** aged about 14 or 15 years

Consideration: \$450

Date: 2 Jan 1823 Recorded: 3 Jan 1823

Other Names: W. Clarke, Thomas P. Eskridge, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Estate Settlement- pp. 56-57

Grantor: William Burnett and Nancy Burnett (his wife)

Grantee: Francis McLeland (transfer of his part as legal heir)

Item: Negro woman **Dafuna (Dasuna)** about 50, one other Negro woman slave **Juda**, 28; one Negro boy slave **Dave**, 9 years; one Negro girl **Liz**, 3. *Livestock and other property...*

Consideration: \$300

Sell, bargain, convey, transfer and deliver into the said Francis McLeland all my right with interest and claim of and unto the property both personal and real belonging to the Estate of Martha Smith, *deceased* to his own use and behalf and benefit.

Date: 5 Feb 1823 Recorded: 11 Feb 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Emancipation (transcribed) William Cravens to Nance - p. 63-65

To all whom it may concern. This is to certify that I William Cravens of the County of Rockingham and State of Virginia do by these presents emancipate set free and forever discharge from slavery my Negro woman **Nance** who I purchased from Esther Cravens, widow, in the year 1795 then aged about twenty three years and I do for myself my heirs and executors by their presents release grant and confer into the said Negro **Nance** together with all her issue from the time I purchased her as they arrive to the age of twenty five years all of and singular my right title and claim and interest in the said negro woman and her issue at the age of twenty five years above mentioned in witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this twenty third day of November Eighteen hundred and three, Test:

Wm. Craven {seal}

Joseph Cravens

J. McWilliams

Other Names: Joseph Cravens, J. McWilliams (Rockingham Court March 1804) Sam Williams, Clerk; Joseph Carter, James Gibson (Russell County Court, Virginia, 13 May 1804) Henry Dickinson, Clerk (Russell County, 5 Dec 1822) Ezekier Burdine, JP (Russell County for John Tate - 24 Mar 1823) James M. Stuart, Clerk

Will and Testament - p. 66-67

Deceased: Basil Berry

Date of Death: after 22 Dec 1822 Probate Date: 19 Mar 1823

Executrix: Wife Margaret

Children: sons unnamed - youngest daughter Henerica Hunt Berry

Place of Residence at Time of Death: County of Hempstead, Territory of Arkansas

Consideration: Bequeath to wife Margaret: one Negro girl **Linda** during her natural life and then the said girl to live with any of children whom she pleases and not to go out of the family. The remainder of my property, after paying just debts, bequeath to wife during her widowhood or until youngest daughter becomes of age; at which time all property, real and personal is to be equally divided among my wife and children who are to be equal sharers, calculating such sums which they have received previous to that time.

Other Names: William Stevenson, James Dyer, William Hemphill, James M. Stuart, Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - p. 69

Grantor: Simon English

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: Negro man slave named **Ben** aged 30 years

Consideration: \$600

Date: (?) May 1823 Recorded: 3 Jun 1823

Other Names: Sinkler Johnson, James M. Stuart

Bill of Sale - p. 70

Grantor: Edward Johnson Sr.

Grantee: Jeremiah Pate

Item: one Negro girl 11 years old named **Amy**

Consideration: \$300

Date: 22 Jul 1823 Recorded: 23 Jul 1823

Other Names: John Wilson, William Ashbrook, James M. Stuart

Affadavit of John Berry - pp. 73-74

Statement: Berry has lost Bill of Sale for Negro woman named **Dinah** to James Temple in Washington County, East Tennessee, about 1800; also Spanish Ricket containing 3,000 acres of land; and Certificate of marriage to Ginney Temple. Berry believes some person has feloniously taken these documents for the purpose of using them improperly and contrary to his wish after his death

Date: 22 Aug 1823 Recorded: 23 Aug 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 88-89

Grantor: William Robinson, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: James Shackelford

Item: one Negro man named **Denny**, one Negro woman **Savy**, one Negro boy child **George**

Consideration: \$700 (Shackelford being the highest and last bidder)

Charge levied on three Negroes, the property of Charles Lindsey (defendant) & Chester Ashley (plaintiff). Negroes to be sold on 3 Jan 1824 at public vendue for sale to the highest and last bidder.

Date: 1 Nov 1823 Recorded: 21 Nov 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 89-90

Grantor: William Troop

Grantee: Benjamin Clark

Item: the following Negro slaves: **Jess** about 50, **Rachael** age 50, **Ned** aged 23, **Bob** aged 18, **Luca** aged 16, **Dorcas** aged 9 and **Alfred** aged 6

Consideration: \$3,000

Date: 31 Aug 1822

Other Names: James Gibson, William A. Morgan, Thos. P. Eskridge, James Stuart

Last Will and Testament - pp. 93-94

Deceased: Thomas Wooldridge

Death of Death: after 18 Jul 1823 Probate Date: 19 Nov 1823

Place of Residence at time of Death: Long Prairie, Hempstead County

Wife: Jane

Children: (Sons) Hugh and James (Daughters) Patsey and Elisa

Bequests: To wife Jane: Negro man **Ned**, **Phillis** and her child **Joe**, **Rachel**

Improvements on which I live, household items and furniture, 2 mares and one sorrel horse, stock of cattle and hogs to enjoy unless she marries in which case, **Ned**, **Henry**, and **Joe** are to hired out for support and education of children.

At her death the following: daughter Patsey, Negro girl **Betty** and a sorrel horse. Son John, a Negro boy named **Enoch** and a bay filly. Daughter Elisa, a Negro girl named **Icy**. Son Hugh, a Negro boy named **Jim** and colt. James, a Negro boy named **Sam** and present crop of cotton together with all monies after payment of debts.

Other Names: Fleetwood Herndon, Davidson Bradley, Levin H. Carter, James Nowland, George Hill, Matthew Scoby, James M. Stuart

Bill of Sale - p. 99-100

Grantor: Hogg and Smith - Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee

Grantee: Edward Johnson Jr. - Hempstead County, Arkansas Territory

Item: a certain Negro fellow slave known by the name of **Ball** about 25 or upwards

Consideration: \$400

Date: 12 Apr 1824 Recorded: 22 Jun 1824

Other Names: John Clarke, Ike Hyde, James Stuart

Bill of Sale - p. 101

Grantor: Jesse Murphy

Grantee: John Nunn

Item Transferred: one Negro girl named **Rose** aged 13 or 14

Consideration: \$500

Date: 13 Sept 1823

Other Names: David Baily, Will Simms, James Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 102

Grantor: Jessie H. McIlvain - late of Washington County, State of Missouri

Grantee: Edward Johnson - Hempstead County

Item: Negro boy, a slave for life by the name of **Payton** about the age of 14

Consideration: \$300

Date: 22 Nov 1823 Recorded: 22 Jan 1824

Other Names: Jesse Morrison, Elijah Stuart, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 103

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond

Grantee: Samuel Hopson

Item: a Negro girl, slave for life named **Seany** about 14

Consideration: \$400

Date: 23 Feb. 1824 Recorded: 10 Mar 1824

Other Names: George T. Smith, Edward Johnson, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Last Will and Testament - p. 108-109

Deceased: William Woodward

Date of Death: before 15 Sep 1824 Probate Date: 15 Sep 1824

Place of Residence at Time of Death: Hempstead County

Executrix: Wife, Jane

Daughter: Eliza Ann Woodward

Terms: If necessary, mortgage man **Friday** for use of money until another crop. Also, tract of land where I live, household items, stock of cattle, hogs, horses, Negroes. To daughter Eliza Ann: out of Negroes mentioned Friday, a Negro man about 25, **Frank** 9, **Rachel** 10, **Harriett** 6 and that she be clothed out of proceeds of property given to wife and at age 14 or 15 be given a horse, saddle, bridle to be worth \$200

And at death of wife, the tract of land to daughter

Other Names: Matthew Moss, Silas Rawls, Harriet Moss, James Stuart

Bill of Sale - pp. 114-116

Grantor: John Ward

Grantee: Betsy Ward

Item: The plantation I now live on with all appurtenances such as stock (35 head of cattle, 39 head hogs, 14 head sheep), one Negro man named **Jack**, one Negro girl named **Matilda** (Personal and Real Property)

Consideration: \$1,420

Note of \$100 on Robert Young due 28 Oct 1823. 3,000 pounds seed cotton in Benjamin Clark's gin; improvements in Clark County lying on waters of the Missouri

Date: 25 Feb 1824 Recorded: 2 Apr 1825

Other Names: John Baird, Sam B. Davis, Isam R. Lattimer, James Stuart, Allen Oakley, Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - pp. 118-119

Grantor: Richard Thurmond - Roane Township

Grantee: George Hill

Item: a certain Negro man known by the name of **James**

Consideration: \$501 to be paid on/before 1 Apr 1826

Date: 17 Jan 1825 Recorded: 3 Apr 1825

Other Names: Matthew Scoby, JP; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Agreement - pp. 121-122

Grantor: Elizabeth Rolls, widow, one part

Grantee: Daniel Rolls and Sylas Rolls, other part

Item: The above named contracting parties have agreed to divide a family of Negroes in the possession of Elizabeth as follows:

Elizabeth Rolls: three Negroes named **Sylva, Benjamin, Queen**

Daniel Rolls: **Stepney, Rose, Alford**

Sylas Rolls: **Faney (Foney), Phillip, Peter**

Consideration: These Negroes to be delivered after her marriage in the event she is left a widow. Daniel and Sylas Rowls do bind themselves and their heirs and assigns in the sum of \$3,000 each to deliver back to her the Negroes.

Date: 9 Jan 1823 Recorded: 4 Apr 1825

Other Names: William Stephenson, Daniel Y. Grayson, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 126-127

Grantor: Betsy Ward

Grantee: Robert Crittenden

Item: a certain Negro man named **Jack**, a slave for life

Consideration: \$500

Betsy Ward relinquished her right to Jack who was given to her by John Ward, 24 Feb 1824.

Date: 25 Mar 1825

Other Names: John H. Henry Jun., Henry S. Henry, Allen Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - pp. 127

Grantor: John Ward

Grantee: Robert Crittenden

Item: one Negro man named **Jack** aged 30 years, six feet high, large and muscular

Consideration: \$500

Date: 24 Mar 1825 Recorded: 4 Apr 1825

Other Names: Sam C. Roane, Benjamin Clark, Allen Oakley, Clerk

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Bill of Sale - pp. 74-75

Grantor: Simon Miller

Grantee: John Tollett, Esq.

Item: one Negro boy named **Jacob** about 9 years old

Consideration: \$600

Date: 5 Jun 1822 Recorded: 16 Jul 1822

Other Names: Cornelius Brown, James M. Staurt, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 75-76

Grantor: Alexander S. Walker

Grantee: Eli J. Lewis

Item: Negro boy **Harry** about 12 or thereabouts. Horses, livestock and other property.

Consideration: \$1,367.50

Date: 16 Aug 1822

Terms: Decision issued by the clerk of the Superior Court in favor of Eli J. Lewis against Alexander Walker on 25 Apr 1822

Other Names: Thos. P. Eskridge, Judge 2nd Judicial Dist; James M. Stuart, Clerk; John Stillwill (agent and attorney for Eli J. Lewis)

Bill of Sale - p. 77

Grantor: Hirman Smith

Grantee: Patrick Sharkey

Item: a certain Negro woman **Sarah** and her male child **Dick**

Consideration: \$587.50

Date: 4 Feb 1822 Recorded: 4 Sept 1822

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 93

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurman

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: a certain Negro woman called **Rode** age about 19 and a Negro child **Julett** age 2 years

Consideration: \$650

Date: 9 Sep 1822 Recorded: 7 Dec 1822

Other Names: John Clarke, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 94

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurman

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: a certain female slave **Juda** age about 14 or 15 years

Consideration: \$450

Date: 2 Jan 1823 Recorded: 3 Jan 1823

Other Names: W. Clark, Thomas P. Eskridge, Jame M. Stuart, Clerk

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Estate Settlement - pp. 95-96

Grantor: William Burnett and Nancy Burnett, his wife

Grantee: Francis McLeland (transfer of his part as legal heir)

Item: Negro woman **Dafuna (Dasuna)** about 50, one other Negro woman slave **Juda**, 28; one Negro boy slave **Dave**, 9 years; one Negro girl **Liz**, 3. *Livestock and other property...*

Consideration: \$300

Sell, bargain, convey, transfer and deliver into the said Francis McLeland all my right with interest and claim of and unto the property both personal and real belonging to the Estate of Martha Smith, *deceased* to his own use and behalf and benefit.

Date: 5 Feb 1823 Recorded: 11 Feb 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Emancipation - William Cravens to Nance - pp. 101-102-(See transcribed record in Book BB)

Item: negro woman **Nance**, purchased from Ester Cravens, widow in the year 1795

Date: 23 Nov 1803 (Rockingham March Court, 1804)

Other Names: Joseph Cravens, J. McWilliams (Rockingham Court, March 1804) Sam Williams, Clerk; Joseph Carter, James Gibson (Russell County Court, Virginia, 13 May 1804) Henry Dickinson, Clerk (Russell County, 5 Dec 1822) Ezekier Burdine, JP (Russell County for John Tate, 24 Mar 1823) James M. Stuart, Clerk (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Last Will and Testament - p. 102-104

Deceased: Basil Berry

Date of Death: after 22 Dec 1822 Probate Date: 19 Mar 1823

Executrix: Wife Margaret

Children: sons unnamed - youngest daughter Henerica Hunt Berry

Place of Residence at Time of Death: County of Hempstead, Territory of Arkansas

Consideration: Bequeath to wife Margaret: one Negro girl **Linda** during her natural life and then the said girl to live with any of children whom she pleases and not to go out of the family. The remainder of my property, after paying just debts, bequeath to wife during her widowhood or until youngest daughter becomes of age; at which time all property, real and personal is to be equally divided among my wife and children who are to be equal sharers, calculating such sums which they have received previous to that time.

Other Names: William Stevenson, James Dyer, William Hemphill, James M. Stuart, Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - p. 105

Grantor: Simon English

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: Negro man slave named **Ben** aged 30 years

Consideration: \$600

Date: 20 Jan 1823 Recorded: 3 Jun 1823

Other Names: Sinkler Johnson, James M. Stuart

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Bill of Sale - p. 106

Grantor: Edward Johnson Sr.

Grantee: Jeremiah Pate

Item: one Negro girl 11 years old named **Amy**

Consideration: \$300

Date: 22 Jul 1823 Recorded: 23 Jul 1823

Other Names: John Wilson, William Ashbrook, James M. Stuart

Affadavit of John Berry - p. 108

Statement: Berry has lost Bill of Sale for Negro woman named **Dinah** to James Temple in Washington County, East Tennessee, about 1800; also Spanish Ricket containing 3,000 acres of land; and Certificate of marriage to Ginney Temple. Berry believes some person has felonously taken these documents for the purpose of using them improperly and contrary to his wish after his death

Date: 22 Aug 1823 Recorded: 23 Aug 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 121-122

Grantor: William Robinson, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: James Shackelford

Item: one Negro man named **Denny**, one Negro woman **Savy**, one Negro boy child **George**

Consideration: \$700 (Shackelford being the highest and last bidder)

Charge levied on three Negroes, the property of Charles Lindsey (defendant) & Chester Ashley (plaintiff). Negroes to be sold on 3 Jan 1824 at public vendue for sale to the highest and last bidder.

Date: 3 Jan 1824 Recorded: 21 Nov 1823

Other Names: James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 122-123

Grantor: William Troop

Grantee: Benjamin Clark

Item: the following Negro slaves: **Jess** about 50, **Rachel** age 50, **Ned** aged 23, **Bob** aged 18, **Luce** aged 16, **Dorcas** aged 9, **Alfred** aged 6

Consideration: \$3,000

Date: 31 Aug 1822

Other Names: James Gibson, William A. Morgan, Thos. P. Eskridge, James Stuart

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Last Will and Testament - pp. 125-126

Deceased: Thomas Wooldridge

Death of Death: after 18 Jul 1823 Probate Date: 19 Nov 1823

Place of Residence at time of Death: Long Prairie, Hempstead County

Wife: Jane

Children: (Sons) Hugh and James (Daughters) Patsey and Elisa

Bequests: To wife Jane: Negro man **Ned**, **Phillis** and her child **Joe**, **Rachel**

Improvements on which I live, household items and furniture, 2 mares and one sorrel horse, stock of cattle and hogs to enjoy unless she marries in which case, **Ned**, **Henry**, and **Joe** are to hired out for support and education of children.

At her death the following: daughter Patsey, Negro girl **Betty** and a sorrel horse. Son John, a Negro boy named **Enoch** and a bay filly. Daughter Elisa, a Negro girl named **Icy**. Son Hugh, a Negro boy named **Jim** and colt. James, a Negro boy named **Sam** and present crop of cotton together with all monies after payment of debts.

Other Names: Fleetwood Herndon, Davidson Bradley, Levin H. Carter, James Nowland, George Hill, Matthew Scooby, James M. Stuart

Bill of Sale - pp. 129-130

Grantor: Hogg and Smith - Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee

Grantee: Edward Johnson Jr. - Hempstead County, Arkansas Territory

Item: a certain Negro fellow slave known by the name of **Ball** about 25 or upwards

Consideration: \$400

Date: 12 Apr 1824 Recorded: 22 Jun 1824

Other Names: John Clarke, Ike Hyde, James Stuart

Bill of Sale - pp. 130-131

Grantor: Jesse Murphy

Grantee: John Nunn

Item: one Negro girl **Rose** and 13 or 14

Consideration: \$500

Date: 13 Sept 1823

Other Names: David Baily, Will Simms, James Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 131-132

Grantor: Jessie H. McIlvain - late of Washington County, State of Missouri

Grantee: Edward Johnson - Hempstead County

Item: Negro boy, a slave for life by the name of **Payton** about the age of 14

Consideration: \$300

Date: 22 Nov 1823 Recorded: 22 Jan 1824

Other Names: Jesse Morrison, Elijah Stuart, James M. Stuart, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 132-133

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond

Grantee: Samuel Hopson

Item: a Negro girl, slave for life named **Seany** about 14

Consideration: \$400

Date: 23 Feb 1824 Recorded: 10 Mar 1824

Other Names: George T. Smith, Edward Johnson, James M. Stuart, Clerk

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Last Will and Testament - pp. 136-137

Deceased: William Woodward

Date of Death: before 15 Sep 1824 Probate Date: 15 Sep 1824

Place of Residence at Time of Death: Hempstead County

Executrix: Wife Jane

Daughter: Eliza Ann Woodward

Terms: If necessary, mortgage man **Friday** for use of money until another crop. Also tract of land where I live, household items, stock of cattle, hogs, horses, Negroes

To daughter Eliza Ann: out of Negroes mentioned Friday, a Negro man about 25, **Frank** 9, **Rachel** 10, **Harriett** 6 and that she be clothed out of proceeds of property given to wife and at age 14 or 15 be given a horse, saddle, bridle to be worth \$200

And at death of wife, the tract of land to daughter

Other Names: Matthew Moss, Silas Rawls, Harriet Moss, James Stuart

Bill of Sale - pp. 140-141

Grantor: John Ward

Grantee: Betsy Ward

Item: The plantation I now live on with all appurtenances such as stock (35 head of cattle, 39 head hogs, 14 head sheep), one Negro man named **Jack**, one Negro girl named **Matilda** (Personal and Real Property).

Consideration: \$1,420

Note of \$100 on Robert Young due 28 Oct 1823. 3,000 pounds seed cotton in Benjamin Clark's gin, improvements in Clark County lying on waters of the Missouri

Date: 25 Feb 1824 Recorded: 2 Apr 1825

Other Names: John Baird, Sam B. Davis, Isam R. Lattimer, James Stuart, Allen Oakley, Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - pp. 151-152

Grantor: Richard Thurmond - Roane Township

Grantee: George Hill

Item: a certain Negro man known by the name of **James**

Consideration: \$501 to be paid on/before 1 Apr 1826

Date: 17 Jan 1825 Recorded: 3 Apr 1825

Other Names: Matthew Scoby, JP; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Agreement - p. 154

Grantor: Elizabeth Rolls, widow, one part

Grantee: Daniel Rolls and Sylas Rolls, other part

Item: The above named contracting parties have agreed to divide a family of Negroes in the possession of Elizabeth as follows:

Elizabeth Rolls: three Negroes named **Sylva**, **Benjamin**, **Queen**

Daniel Rolls: **Stepney**, **Rose**, **Alford**

Sylas Rolls: **Faney (Foney)**, **Phillip**, **Peter**

Consideration: These Negroes to be delivered after her marriage in the event she is left a widow; Daniel and Sylas Rows do bind themselves and their heirs and assigns in the sum of \$3,000 each to deliver back to her the Negroes.

Date: 9 Jan 1823

Other Names: William Stephenson, Daniel Y. Grayson, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

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Bill of Sale - pp. 157-158

Grantor: Betsy Ward

Grantee: Robert Crittenden

Item: a certain Negro man named **Jack**, slave for life

Consideration: \$500

Betsy Ward relinquished her right to Jack who was given to her by John Ward, 24 Feb 1824

Date: 25 Mar 1825

Other Names: John H. Henry Jun., Henry S. Henry, Allen Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - pp. 158

Grantor: John Ward

Grantee: Robert Crittenden

Item: one Negro man named **Jack** aged 30 years, six feet high, large and muscular form

Consideration: \$500

Date: 24 Mar 1825 Recorded: 4 Apr 1825

Other Names: Sam C. Roane, Benjamin Clark, Allen Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 1

Grantor: Edward Johnson, Sr.

Grantee: Edward Johnson, Jr.

Item: Negro boy **Alfred** about 4 years of age

consideration: \$200

Date: 18 Feb 1820 Recorded: 27 Jun 1825

Other Names: John McClinton; Isaac Lee Jr.; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 5

Grantor: Judy Thurmond (Judith)

Grantee: Edward Johnson Jr.

Item: female slave **Queen**, age about 14

Consideration: \$400

Date: 30 Jun 1825 Recorded: 30 Jun 1825

Other Names: Thomas J. Thurmond; Bartlett Zackary; A.M. Oakley, Clerk.

Bill of Sale - p. 6

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond

Grantee: Bartlett Zackary

Item: a certain Negro girl and child, the girl named **Polly**, the child named **Kitty** and a boy named **Ben**

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 7 Mar. 1825 Recorded: 30 Jun 1825

Other Names: Judith Thurmond, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 6-7

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond

Grantee: Judith Thurmond

Items: Negro fellars: **Dave, Jim, Mark, Damon**. Women: **Fanny, Jenny**. Boys: **King, Simon, Andy, Burril, Ralf, Jerry, Willis**. Girls: **Sooky, Easter, Tabby**. Also cotton gin, cotton crop (supposed to be 60,000 bales), corn crop, hogs on place two miles of James Burnside. This place formerly owned by Isaac William Pennington

Consideration: \$5,000

Date: 17 Jan. 1825 Recorded: 30 Jun. 1825

Other Names: Bartlett Zackary, John Cocks, Allen M. Oakley, JP and Clerk

Agreement - pp. 7-8

Grantor: Richard Thurmond

Grantee: Judith Thurmond

Item: a Negro woman named **Polly** (64), **Dinah** (45), **Cerra** (14) **Queen** (14), **Charity** (10), **Phebey** (4), **Sophia** (2), negro boy **Elijah** (18), **Anthony** (11), **Henry**

Consideration: For and in consideration of her support and maintenance during her natural life. Terms: Judith bind herself to do clothe and feed the aforesaid negroes with good warm clothing and wholesome food and to treat them as humanely as slaves ought to be treated.

Date: __ Nov. 1823 [date blank] Recorded: 30 Jun 1825

Other Names: James Burnside (Byrnside), J.P.; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 10-11

Evan Williams, agent for William Baysinger

Grantee: Thomas Dooley

Item: Negro woman by the name of **Lucy** and her three children **Dan'l, Sam, Frances**

Consideration: \$725

Dates: 7 Oct 1815 Recorded: 20 Jul 1825

Other Names: Stephen Barton, George Dooley, William Woodward (Stephen Barton and William Woodward are now dead); Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 11-12

Grantor: Richard Thurmond; Judith, his wife; Thomas J. Thurmond and Bartlett Zackary

Grantee: George Hill

Item: Negro boy named **Elijah** about 19

Compensation: \$501 before 1 Apr 1826

Dates: 2 May 1825 Recorded: 19 Aug 1825

Other Names: Allen M. Oakley, JP and Clerk

Emancipation (transcribed) - Thomas Terrant to Slave Frank - pp. 22-23

To all whom it may concern.

This is to certify that I Thomas Terrant of the County of Hempstead and Territory of Arkansas, do by these present emancipate, set free and forever discharge from slavery my mulatto boy named **Frank** who Christian Hacker purchased from Robert Kuykendale (now Christian Terrant) in the year 1815 then aged two years the 20th of June, and I do for myself my heirs and executors by these presents release grant and confirm unto the said mulatto **Frank** when he arrives to the age of twenty five years all and singular my right title claim and interest in the said mulatto **Frank** at the age of twenty five years above mentioned. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

Seal this 9th day of May 1826

Thos. Terrant {seal}

(Teste.) Reese Alexander

(Test. James Alexander

Hempstead County

Arkansas Territory

15th May 1826

The written named Thomas Terrant this day personally appeared before me Allen M. Oakley an acting Justice of the peace in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, and acknowledged the written instrument of writing to be his act and deed for the purposes and uses therein mentioned and contained.

Given under my hand and seal this day and year before written.

Allen M. Oakley

Justice of the peace

Bill of Sale - pp. 25-26

Grantor: Richard Thurmond; Judah, his wife; Thomas J. Thurmond and Bartlett Zackery

Grantee: Bryan T. Nowlin

Item: Negro boy **Elijah**, about 20

Compensation: Mortgaged for \$501

Dates: 15 May 1826 Recorded: 17 May 1826

Other Name: A.M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Agreement - Ten Year Contract - pp. 27-31

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond

Grantee: William Hickman

Item: Certain improvements and plantation on which Thurmond's negroes are now at work situated near Red River and where Thurmond has resided some years past and particularly the crops of cotton, corn etc. Hires to Hickman 16 Negro slaves, delivered to Hickman for the term of 10 years: Negroes - Men: **Dave** otherwise called **David** about 40, **Damon** about 30, **Mark** about 33, Women: **Dinah** about 33, **Fanney** about 25, **Jenny** about 28. Boys: **King** about 15, **Anthony** about 15, **Andy** about 14, **Simon** about 12, **Henry** about 10, **Burt** about 6 or 7, **Torrey** about 4, **Willis** about 1 year old. Girls: **Esther** about 11 or 12, **Suke** about 5 or 6.

Thurmond's mother Judith Thurmond having mortgaged a Negro boy **Elijah** about 18 or 19 years to Bryan T. Nowlin and delivered him and Nowlin who yet holds him and Thurmond having executed a mortgage to Bartlett Zackery for 3 Negroes for life: **Polly** about 25 or 26, **Kitty** 3 or 4, Negro boy **Benjamin** age about 11 or 12 years slaves for life to secure payment of \$1,000 and has delivered to Zachary the possession of the said three last mentioned negroes. Hickman to pay Joseph Campbell \$300 within 2 years for mortgage executed by Thurmond for **Charity**. Hickman to return all the Negroes that he gets by this contract with their increase at end of ten years and to treat them humanely. *Other terms, conditions and payments described...*

Consideration: \$1,000

Dates: 29 May 1826 Recorded: 30 May 1826

Other Names: Spencer Crouch, Hiram Smith, Benjamin J. Smith, John Stewart, Thomas Hubbard, Joshua Fuqua, J.P.; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 38-39

Grantor: Robert Musick - Missouri Township, Hempstead County

Grantee: Peter Leatherman

Item: Negro man **Thomas**, otherwise called **Tom**, age 28

Consideration: \$700

Date: 24 June 1826 Recorded: 15 Jul 1826

Other Names: Frances Holmes; Harvey Jeffrey; A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Agreement of Emancipation (transcribed) William Reed to James Humbor - pp. 39-40

Know all men by these present that I Joseph Reed agent for William Reed Dec'd by his request in his lifetime do gave & grant unto Salmon Ruggles a negro child named **James Humbor**, to raise until the age of twenty six years, provider said Ruggles do raise and school said negro so that he can read the new testament, provided said negroes capacity will admit of such education & then said negro is to be emancipated, and from the above term I do hereby warrant and defend said negro from all and every person or persons to the said Ruggles, his heirs to witness my hand & seal this thirtieth day of September 1817

Joseph Reed {seal}

Teste.

Wm Stevenson

A.M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Recorded: 17 August 1826

Bill of Sale - p. 43

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond

Grantee: Richard Thurmond

Item: 28 Negroes to wit: Old Polly, Dave, Mack, Damon, Anne, Pol, John, Frank, Frank, Anthony, Henry, Phoebe, Nancy, Rhoda, Jude, Quanta, King, Charley, Simon, Jilly, Andrew Tabby, Ruciel, Fanny, Easter, Ralt, Ben & Jule

Compensation: \$5,000

Dates: 25 Nov 1820 Recorded: 7 Oct 1826

Other Names: John A. Bradley; James Byrnside (Burnside), Silas Rawls, JP; I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk

Power of Attorney - p. 44

Grantor: Richard Thurmond

Grantee: Bartlett Zackary, Attorney

Purpose: To sue and recover from Curtis Morris two Negro boys, viz: **King** and **Anthony** lately unlawfully taken.

Dates: 4 Oct 1826 Recorded: 9 Oct 1826

Other Names: A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 44-45

Grantor: Thomas J. Thurmond (Judith, wife)

Grantee: Bartlett Zackary

Item: Negro woman **Pol**, a boy **Ben** and a child **Kitty**

Compensation: Richard Thurmond and Judith his wife relinquish slaves to Bartlett Zackary

Dates: 7 Oct 1826 Recorded: 9 Oct 1826

Other Names: Richard C. Poston

Bill of Sale - p. 45

Grantor: James E. Fenton late of Boon(e) County, State of Missouri

Grantee: Elijah Stuart

Item: Negro girl Suckey about 16

Compensation: \$400

Dates: 9 Oct 1826

Other Names: I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk; A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 46

Grantor: Richard Thurmond and Judith his wife

Grantee: Allen M. Oakley

Item: Negro boy **King** about 15, in possession of Curtis Morris

Compensation: \$500

Dates: 4 Oct 1826 Recorded: 10 Oct 1826

Other Names: Joseph White, B. Zackary, Isham B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk

Abstract p. 26

To certify that the bearer, **William Smith** a husband about thirty three years was born free that his is the legitimate son of **Wm. & Nancy Smith** who were also born free. I have known this family for upwards of thirty years. This certificate is given to prevent the bearer **William** from being molested under the supposition that he is a slave given under my hand this 7th of July 1821.

John Clay

I B Gorden, Deputy Clerk

Recorded: 10 Oct 1826

Bill of Sale - p. 48

Grantor: James Gates and wife Elizabeth or Betsy Gates, daughter of John and Martha Thompson, and Granddaughter of James McLeland (deceased of Hempstead County)

Grantee: Hiram Smith

Item: All of property of Uncle F. McLeland including ¼ part of Negro woman **Jude**, ¼ part of Negro boy **Dave**, 1/3 part of Negro girl **Liz.**, ¼ part of a stock of cattle (about 25-30 head)

Compensation: \$220

Dates: 29 Sep 1826 Recorded: 11 Oct 1826

Other Names: Richard Tate, JP; I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 48-49

Grantor: John Berry

Grantee: Eliza Berry

Item: Conveyance of slaves: **Soloman, Dina, Alfred, Mareeto, Nerva, Peter, Prucilla, Sollomon, Kitty, Lewis, Carline, Vice, Lee** Vine is dead since the date of my husband's conveyance.

Convey said Negroes from all actions, suits and demands which I Eliza Berry my heirs or Executors Administrators or assigns my have concerning the same. Eliza declares that before marriage they agreed that my property which was had at time of marriage was to be kept for the support of my children & my husband John Berry's property was to be kept sacred to him & his heirs.

Dates: 5 July 1826 Recorded: 14 Oct 1826

Other Names: Judge Sclocam of Nacatosh, Curtis Morris, A.M. Oakley

Bill of Sale - p. 51

Grantor: James S. Conway

Grantee: George Hill

Item: a yellow Negro boy **John** age about 40

Compensation: \$550

Dates: 6 Feb 1826 Recorded: 6 Jul 1826

Other Names: Thomas Dillard, Jesse Douglass, A.M. Oakley, I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Articles of Agreement - pp. 52-56

Grantor: Richard Thurmond and Judith Thurmond, his wife

Grantee: Allen M. Oakley

Item: Negroes Mark 38, Anthony, 16, Dinah 30, Charity 14, Ralph 6, Sophy 5, Dave 45, Simon 11, Jenny 25, Burrill 8, Jerry 4, Phebe 8, Elijah 19, Henry 10, Fanny 23, Andrew 14, Suckey 4, Jim 22, Willis 18 mos., Delone 9 mos.

Oakley binds himself to use all lawful means to keep Negroes in his possession, but Thurmond to pay legal fees expended by him. Judith Thurmond to take into her possession whenever she may think proper any one of the girls. To redeem Charity, 14, from Joseph Campbell for \$300 remaining with Oakley until January 1832, amount to be deducted from payment. To treat Negroes in a human way, not to take out of Arkansas, and to return Negroes to R. Thurmond and Judith January 1832 except those who died. To furnish Thurmond with comfortable cabin to live in for 5 years and 22 days and furnish good and wholesome diet and a servant to attend him, clothing and medical bills to be paid by Thurmond. *Other terms, conditions, and payments described...*

Consideration: \$5,000

Dates: 8 Dec 1826 Recorded: 24 Feb 1827

Other Names: Richard C. Poston, Thomas J. Shaw, Bryan T. Nowlin, Isham B. Gorden, Allen M. Oakley

Affadavit - pp. 60-61

To: Merridith W. Edwards - Deputy Sheriff of Hempstead County

By virtue of two executions issued by the Hempstead County Circuit Court Clerk

Items: (1) In favor of Joshua Morrison, executor of estate of Wm. Woodward, *deceased* for 166.75 damages (2) Hartwell Boswell for \$100 commanding me that of the goods and chattels of Thomas Thurmond, I did take Negro **Damon** about 35, property sale at auction and purchased by Richard C. Poston for \$300 being the highest sum that was bidden for him.

Dates: 16 Oct 1826 Recorded: 25 Feb 1827

Other Names: I.B. Gorden, Allen Oakley, JP and Clerk.

Bill of Sale - pp. 64-65

Grantor: John Bradley

Grantee: Daniel Rawls

Item: Four Negroes: Isaac about 25, Negro woman Candas about 19, Negro girl about the age of 3 years, Negro girl child Mary about 18 months.

Consideration: \$1,200

Date: 22 Mar 1827

Other Names: Thos. Dillard; Matthew Scoby; JP; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 67

Grantor: John B. Dillard

Grantee: Willis Dillard

Item: Negro man Harvey about 50 years

Consideration: \$180

Date: 9 Apr 1827

Other Names: John B. Tongue, James A. Bailey, John Hensley, I.B. Gorden, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 69-70

Grantor: Thomas Dooley - Sheriff of the County of Hempstead

Grantee: A.M. Oakley

Item: the following slaves: **Dave** (45), **Mark** (38), **Anthony** (16), **Simon** (11), **Henry** (10), **Dinah** (38), **Jinny** (25), **Mariah** (2 months old)

Consideration: \$101 (the highest and last bidder)

Thomas Dooley, Sheriff of the County of Hempstead. Execution issued by the clerk of the circuit court of said county dated 20th day of March 1827 in favor of Hickman. Commanding me to levy and cause to be made of the goods, chattels, land and tenements of Thomas Thurman. The sum of \$105.68, debt, interest and cost executed and seized on the 24th day of March 1827. First posting four hand bills in public places in said county giving 10 days notice, proceeded to sell at the farm of Allen M. Oakley all of the said Negro slaves, levied on as aforesaid on the 4th day of April.

Date: 23 May 1827 Recorded: 16 Jun 1827

Other Names: Sam'l Hall, I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk (for A.M. Oakley)

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 70-71

Grantor: Thomas Dooley - Sheriff of the County of Hempstead

Grantee: Allen M. Oakley

Item: Slave **Phoebe** about 8, **King** about 16.

Consideration: \$33 (Allen Oakley being the highest and last bidder)

By virtue of an execution issued by the clerk of the Circuit Court of the said county, in the name of the clerk dated the 20th day of March 1827 in favor of Wm. Hickman and directed to me, commanding me to levy and cause to be made of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of Thomas Thurmond. The sum of \$59.95 debt, interest and cost did execute and seize on the 24th day of March 1827. First giving 10 days notice by putting up four hand bills in the most public places of Hempstead County, proceeded to sell at the farm of Allen M. Oakley said Negroes, Phoebe and King.

Date: 23 May 1827 Recorded: 16 Jun 1827

Other Names: Sam C. Hall, Judge of the 3rd Judicial Court: I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk (for Allen M. Oakley)

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 72-73

Grantor: Thomas Dooley - Sheriff of the County of Hempstead

Grantee: Allen M. Oakley

Item: the following slaves **Fanney** about 23, Negro child **Delona** about 1, **Burrell** about 9, **Andrew** about 14, **Ralph** about 6, **Jerry** about 4, **Willis** about 2, **Suckey** about 4, **Sophy** about 5

Consideration: \$108 (A.M. Oakley being the highest and last bidder)

In and by virtue of an execution issued by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Hempstead County in the name of the said clerk and dated the 20th day of March 1827 in favor of William Hickman and to me directed commanding me to levy and cause to be made of the goods, chattels, land and tenements of Thurman. The sum of \$104; debt, interest and cost. I did execute and seize on the 24th day of March 1827. First giving notice, 10 days thereof by putting up four hand bills in the most public places in said county, proceeded to sell at the farm of Allen M. Oakley all of the said Negro slaves, levied on the 4th day of April.

Date: 23 May 1827 Recorded: 16 Jun 1827

Other Names: Sam'l Hall, I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk (for A.M. Oakley)

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 73-74

Grantor: Thomas Dooley - Sheriff of the County of Hempstead

Grantee: Allen M. Oakley

Item: the following named slave, **Charity** about 15 years

Consideration: \$100 (Allen M. Oakley being thee highest and last bidder)

By virtue of an execution issued by the clerk of Hempstead Circuit Court the 17th day of March 1827 in favor of Wm. Hickman and to me directed, commanding me that of the goods and chattels of Thomas Thurman to levy and make the sum of \$100.59; debt, interest and cost. Seized and took on 25 April the above named slave giving 10 days notice of time and place of sale by putting hand bills in the most public places in said county. Sale took place at the farm of Joseph Campbell in said county on the 28th of said month.

Date: 28 Apr 1827 Recorded: 16 Jun 1827

Other Names: Sam C. Hall, I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk (for A.M. Oakley)

Bill of Sale - p. 75

Grantor: Edward Johnson

Grantee: Simon Baird

Item: Negro boy **Nathaniel (Nathan)**, 10 years old

Consideration: \$300

Date: 23 May 1827 Recorded: 16 Jun 1827

Other Names: D.T. Witter, Edw. Cross, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 78

Grantor: Allen M. Oakley

Grantee: Richard & Judith Thurman

Item: Negroes: **Dave** about 45, **Mark** about 38, **Anthony** about 16, **Simon** about 11, **Henry** about 10, **Dinah** about 38, **Jenny** about 25, **Mariah** about 2 months, **Fanny** about 22, **Delona** about 1, **Burrill** about 8, **Andrew** about 14, **Ralph** about 6, **Jerry** about 4, **Willis** about 2, **Lucky** about 4, **Sophy** about 5, **Phoebe** about 3. Convey to Thurman's all the right, title and interest that I have this day acquired at a Sheriff's sale by virtue of divers executions in favor of William Hickman.

Consideration: \$300

But it is distinctly understood that this instrument of writing is not to interfere or impair in any manner whatever an article of agreement entered into between the said Richard Thurman and Judith Thurman and said Allen M. Oakley dated the 8th day of December 1826.

Date: 4 Apr 1827 Recorded: 8 May 1827

Other Names: William Trimble, Judge of the Superior Court

Bill of Sale - p. 79

Grantor: Allen M. Oakley

Grantee: Richard & Judith Thurman

Item: Negro woman **Charity** about 15

Consideration: \$100

Convey to them, all the right and title I acquired by virtue of a Sheriff's Sale that took place at the farm of Joseph Campbell on the 28th day of April 1827. This instrument of writing is not to interfere with or impair an article of agreement entered into between Oakley and the Thurman's date the 8th day of December 1826.

Date: 27 Jun 1827 Recorded: 7 Jun 1827

Other Names: Hedgman Triplett; I.B. Gorden, Deputy Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 80

Grantor: Frances McLelland

Grantee: Hiram Smith

Item: Negro girl **Kiz**

Consideration: \$350

Date: 16 Jul 1827 Recorded: 17 Jul 1827

Other Names: Berry Williams, Lenard Wilson, John Sisco, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Emancipation (transcribed) - John Berry to Negro Slaves - pp. 81-82

April 23 1827

To all To whom it may concern

This is to certify that I John Berry of the Territory of Arkansas and County of Hempstead by these presents do Emancipate and set free at my death or sooner if I think proper. All my Negroes now in my possession, which Namely are these, **Sollomon, Dina, Nephres, Amareda, Nerve, Prusilla, Peter, Souley**: of another family as followeth, Namely, **Kitty, Lewis, Carline, Vice Lee**, which I do hereby discharge at the time of my death or as above. All these above Negroes I have raised in my House, except Sollomon, which I bought of Tom Temple upwards of Twenty years back and Kitty which I bought about fifteen years ago, and I do for myself my heirs, executors and Administrators. By these present Release grant and confirm unto the said Negroes above named, with all their future posterity which shall be considered as free born or if there should be any born from this date to the time of my death, they shall be as Free as the others. All and Singular my rite, Title Claim and interest in the said Negroes above mentioned and their future posterity at the time of my death

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of April 1827.

John Berry (seal)

The above date was altered by my hands

Other Names: Jacob Whiteside, John Henry, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Recorded: 15 Aug 1827

Bill of Sale - p. 82

Grantor: Willis Wilson

Grantee: Willis Dilliard

Item: Negro woman **Siscilla**

Consideration: \$400

Date: 2 Jun 1827

Other Names: John Wilson, John Fisher, Deputy Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 87

Grantor: Thomas Carr

Grantee: Meredith W. Edwards

Item: Negro man **Daniel**, about 36

Consideration: \$400

Date: 13 Sep 1827 Recorded: 13 Sep 1827

Other Names: J.W. Judkins; S.W. Fenton; John Fisher, Deputy Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 146

Grantor: Wesley Tollett - Miller County, Territory of Arkansas

Grantee: Jacob Hudgeons - Arkansas County

Item: a certain mulatto boy named **Bob** about 8 years of age

Consideration: [not given]

Date: 17 Sep 1827 Recorded: 21 Sep 1827

Other Names: Samuel W. French, John Hayes, John Fisher; Deputy Clerk (Hempstead County)

Bill of Sale - p. 151-152

Grantor: Meredith W. Edwards

Grantee: Thomas Carr

Item: a certain Negro man **Daniel** about 36 years of age (\$360), 2 tracts of land (\$400)

Consideration: \$760 total

Date: 14 (?) 1827 Recorded: 1 Feb 1828

Other Names: J.W. Judkins, S.W. Fenton, John Fisher; Deputy Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 158

Grantor: Robert Leftevick (Leftnick)-State of Coalville and Texas [*Coalville, Texas*]

Grantee: Martin Parmer of the same place

Item: Five Negroes to wit: **Rufus** a Negro man & **Polly** a Negro woman and her three children,

Luis, John and James

Consideration: \$1500

Date: 18 Jun 1826 Recorded: 8 Mar 1828

Other Names: D. Hays, J.P. (Naches Dist.), Allen M. Oakley, J.P. (Hempstead County, Town of Washington)

Bill of Sale - pp. 162-163

Grantor: Meredith Edwards

Grantee: Thomas Carr

Item: a certain Negro Slave called **Daniel** about 36 years of age

Consideration: \$450

Date: 14 Sept 1827 Recorded: 15 Feb 1828

Other Names: John Fisher, Deputy Clerk for Allen Oakley

Will & Testament of Richard Thurman - pp. 170-171

Deceased: Richard Thurman

Date: 8 Dec 1826 Recorded: 10 Mar 1828 - County of Hempstead, Territory of Arkansas

Executor: To be appointed by the Judge of Hempstead Circuit Court

Disposition of Estate: Bequeath to my wife Judith Thurmond, **all my Negroes**, young and old, male and female, during her natural life time. The Negroes now hired out to Allen M. Oakley. I will and bequeath that my wife Judith have all the profits, arising from the hire of said Negroes. All my stock, hogs horses, house hold, kitchen furniture, money and debts that may be due me.

Son: Thomas J. Thurmand (Rebecca, his wife and their children)

Witnesses: Allen M. Oakley, Thomas J. Spain, Richard Poston

Other Names: John Fisher, Deputy Clerk for Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

[Note: Even though specific slaves are not described in this will, it is included because of the numerous slave transactions of Richard, Judith and Thomas J. Thurmand (Thurmond)].

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 179-180

Grantor: Robert B. Musick

Grantee: George Hill - Clark County, Territory of Arkansas

Item: A Negro man named **Tom** about 30, Negro woman **Rachael** about 22, A Negro boy name **Jim** about 3 and son of the said Rachael and also a Negro girl named **Mariah** about 1 ½ years and daughter of Rachael.

Consideration: \$1,400

Date: 3 May 1828

Other Names: William Hickman, Acting J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 182-183

Grantor: Aaron G. Johnson (Johnston) - Clark County, Territory of Arkansas

Grantee: Edward Johnson, Junior

Item: A Negro woman named **Nancy** about 22

Consideration: \$450

Date: 30 May 1828

Other Names: John Fisher, Deputy Clerk for A.M. Oakley

Bill of Sale - p. 202

Grantor: Hiram Smith

Grantee: John McLelland

Item: a certain Negro gal **Elizabeth**

Consideration: \$52.50 (it being ¼ part of said Negro)

Date: 16 Jul 1827

Other Names: Joshua Fuqua, Leonard Wilson, Allen Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 203

Grantor: Allen M. Oakley

Grantee: James Cole

Item: a certain Negro boy slave **King** about ____ years of age *[age left blank]*

Consideration: \$450

Date: 8 Apr 1828 Recorded: 5 Jul 1828

Other Names: Edward Cross, John Fisher, Deputy Clerk for A.M. Oakley; Absolom Madding, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 204

Grantor: Martin Parmer

Grantee: George Hill

Item: Four Certain Negroes: viz. **Tom, Rachel, Jim & Maria (Mariah)**

Consideration: \$523.38

Date: 10 Jul 1828

Other Names: R.L. Allen, W.P. Hickman, Wm. Hickman, Acting Justice of the Peace; A.M. Oakley, Clerk of the Circuit Court; J. Fisher, Deputy Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 205

Grantor: Ambrose Douthit

Grantee: Martin B. Laurence and Asa Laurence

Item: a certain Negro girl **Ellen**, a slave for life

Consideration: \$705 (promissory notes dated 24 Mary 1828)

Date: 10 Jul 1828

Other Names: Chester Ashley, J. Fischer, Deputy Clerk

Deed of Gift - p. 207

Grantor: Elisha Baker

Grantee: Elisha C. Baker, youngest son

Item: a Negro girl name Cloe and a Negro Boy **Hampton** and **?Ieeo (Ida)**

Consideration: Gift

Date: 4 Aug 1828

Other Names: Joseph M. Cravens, Rebecca Cravens, John Fisher Deputy Clerk for Allen M. Oakley

Bill of Sale - p. 217

Grantor: William McLam (McLain)

Grantee: John Dodson

Item: a certain female slave for life named **Lucey** age about 22 years

Consideration: \$375

Date: 6 Sep 1828 Recorded: 9 Sep 1828

Other Names: E. Johnson, Allen M. Oakley, Acting J.P., John Fisher, Deputy Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 218

Grantor: William McDonald

Grantee: William McLam (McLain)

Item: a certain female slave for life, **Lucy** about 22 years

Consideration: \$350

Date: 6 Sep 1828 Recorded: 9 Sep 1828

Other Names: E. Edward, John Fisher, Deputy Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 252

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: Jonathan West

Item: a certain Negro woman **Louisa** and her mail child **Timothy**, said woman is about 20 years of age and both slaves for life

Consideration: \$550

Date: 22 Oct 1828

Other Names: Ephriam Mirick, Absolom Madding, Acting J.P.; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 262

Grantor: Robert B. Musick

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: a Negro boy **William** about 9 years old

Consideration: \$200

Date: 7 Feb 1829

Other Names: James H. Black, Allen M. Oakley, Acting J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 266

Grantor: John McClinton

Grantee: John McClinton, Junior

Item: a certain Negro man slave for life, **Jack** about 35 years

Consideration: \$500

Date: 9 Feb 1829 Recorded: 11 Feb 1829

Other Names: Allen M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-Officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - p. 267

Grantor: Robert Bullinik

Grantee: George Taaffe

Item: one Negro woman **Nelly** about 25 years old & her child **Richard** about 5 years old

Consideration: \$600

Date: 1 Jan 1829 Recorded: 20 Mar 1829

Other Names: Henry Jeffrey, ___Sharp, William Hickman, Acting J.P., Robert Musick

Bill of Sale - p. 288

Grantor: Martin Parmer

Grantee: Ge Hill (George)

Item: a Negro man **Rufus**, age about 20 years

Consideration: \$523

Date: 13 Dec 1828 Recorded: 15 May 1829

Other Names: John Nunn, Acting J.P., Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 309-310

Grantor: Samuel Latimere, Agent & Attorney for Robert Walkuss - Boon(e) County Missouri

Grantee: Bartlett Zackary (Senior) - Hempstead County

Item: a Negro man **Abraham** about 33 years of age

Consideration: \$500

Date: 22 Jul 1829

Other Names: William Hickman, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 314-315

Grantor: David Tollett, Appointed Commissioner for the Estate of Luke Ward

Grantee: Hewitt Burt

Item: Sale at public auction all the slaves belonging to the estate of Luke Ward *deceas*

Amongst others, a Negro boy named **Isaac** about 12 years of age

Consideration: \$425 (the highest and last bid)

Date: 14 Sep 1829

Other Names: Gilbert Clark, Administrator of the Ward estate; E.A. Mare, D.T. Witter, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 328

Grantor: Isaac Pennington - Union County

Grantee: John Davis

Item: Two Negro boys, viz: one Negro boy named **Morgan**, about 16 years of age and one Negro boy named **Jesse** about 13 years of age

Consideration: \$1.006

Date: 22 Dec 1829

Other Names: W.D. Pennington for Isaac Pennington, Peter Hickman, A.M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 329

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: John Davis

Item: The following Negro slave to wit. **Phebe** age 26

Consideration: \$400

Date: 7 Mar 1829 Recorded: 2 Feb 1830

Other Names: David C. Paxton, A.B. Lackland, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 336

Grantor: Elijah Stuart

Grantee: William Shaw

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Susan** about 18 years of age

Consideration: \$400

Date: 12 Feb 1830 Recorded: 27 Feb 1830

Other Names: E. Cross, Neman E. Stuart, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 337-338

Grantor: Martin B. Lawrence

Grantee: Edward Peacock

Item: a certain Negro slave called **Jane** about 16 years of age

Consideration: \$250

Date: 4 Mar 1830

Other Names: Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 338-339

Grantor: Allen M. Oakley

Grantee: James Cole

Item: a certain Negro boy named **King** at that time about 17 years of age (bearing the date: 8 Apr 1828).

Consideration: \$450 (an additional \$75 paid)

Date: 25 Feb 1830

Other Names: Edward Cross, J. Robinson, John Baird, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 342

Grantor: David C. Paxton

Grantee: William McDonald Junior

Item: a certain Negro man named **Andrew** age about 23 years, the said Negro is hereby warranted to be sound and healthy with the exception of Lameness in one hip.

Consideration: \$425

Date: 1 May 1830 Recorded: 5 May 1830

Other Names: Wm. G. Shipley, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 355-356

Grantor: Ambrose Douthitt

Grantee: John Barkman - Lafayette County

Item: Two Negro slaves, one negro boy named **Sam** about 15 years of age and one Negro girl named **Ellen** (yellow) about 10 years of age

Consideration: \$250

Date: 3 Sep 1830

Other Names: _____ (witness), Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale (transcribed) - Hickman to Hickman - p. 359

Know all men by these presents that I William Hickman of the town of Washington in the county of Hempstead and Territory of Arkansas For and in consideration of the sum of Seven Thousand Two hundred and fifty Dollars to me in hand paid by William P. Hickman of the same place at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents. The receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have bargained and sold and delivered and by these presents do bargain sell and deliver unto the said William P. Hickman, the following named Negro slaves to wit. **Aaron** a Negro man about thirty five years of age. **Winney** a Negro woman the wife of the said Aaron about twenty eight years of age and also the following five children of the said Winney to wit. **Rindy** about eight years of age, **James** about seven years of age, **Amanda** about four years of age, **Adaline** about three years of age, and **Cloay**, about one year of age, and also **Harry** a Negro man about thirty three years of age. **Mariah**, the wife of the said Harry, a negro woman about thirty years of age, and also the following three children of the said Mariah to wit. **Kit** about ten years of age, **Isaac** about six years of age and **Samuel** about four years of age, and also **Nelly** a negro woman about thirty years of age and her child to wit. **Burr** a boy about two years of age and also **Henry** a Negro man about thirty years of age. **Gabe** a negro man about twenty n years of age. **Hinson** a man about twenty eight years of age, **Ned** a man about thirty five years age, **Hampton** a man about twenty years of age, **Jesse** a man about twenty two years of age, **Ralph** a boy about twelve years of age and **Fan** a woman about thirty five years of age to have and to hold the said Negro Slaves and their increase, unto the said William P. Hickman, his heirs, Executors and Administrators or assigns to his and their own proper use benefit and behalf forever. And I the said William Hickman my heirs, executors and Administrators the said negro Slaves unto the said William P. Hickman, his heirs, Executors, Administrators and assigns, from and against all persons whomsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this Eighteenth day of September. In this year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Thirty.

Wm. Hickman {seal}

Matthew Gray

W. B. Vaughan

Recorded: 23 Sep 1830

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 376-377

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: Jesse Shelton (Chelton)

Item: the following Negro slaves to wit. **?Fourt Jes 53, Bob18, Ned 23, Luce 16, Hannah 18, Alfred 6** in the A.D. 1822 and also **Phillis 26, Pat 7, Caroline 4, Henry 1, Lydd 8, Mary 5, Jane 2**

Consideration: \$1,200

Date: 16 Oct 1830 Recorded: 28 Feb 1830

Other Names: Bailey English, Wm. Grayson, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 389

Grantor: James Moss

Grantee: William Moss

Item: one Negro boy slave about the age 12 years, named **Allen** of yellow complexion

Consideration: \$350

Date: 6 Apr 1831 Recorded: 14 Apr 1831

Other Names: Daniel Ringo, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Emanicipation (transcribed) - John Holeman to Slave Rose - pp. 393-394

Know all men by these presents that I John Holeman of the county of Hempstead and Territory of Arkansas do by these presents emancipate and set free from the bonds of slavery my mulatto woman named **Rose** aged about fifty years she being the same that I purchased from John Myles late of the State of Missouri. It is distinctly my intention and understanding that this emancipation shall have no force nor effect in law or equity during the continuance of my natural life, and also unless the said **Rose** shall conduct herself well and treat me kindly, and serve me faithfully during my said life and in all things deport herself in an honest and dutiful manner, then if the said **Rose** shall so behave her-self this shall be her emancipation from the bonds of slavery and servitude from me my heirs executors administrators & assigns.

Signed sealed and dated at Washington in the aforesaid county of Hempstead this the 23rd July 1831.

In presence of

D.T. Witter

John Holeman (seal)

Recorded: 23 July 1831

A.M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 396-397 [Duplicate copy on pp.398-399]

Grantor: Francis H. McWilliams

Grantee: William P. Hickman

Item: three certain Negro Slaves to wit. **Ben** a man of yellow complexion about 30 years of age, **York** a black man about 29 years of age who is a boot and shoe maker to trade and **Phillis** a girl of a yellowish complexion 18 years old.

Consideration: \$1,250

Date: 4 Aug 1831 Recorded: 17 Aug 1831

Other Names: J.R. Atkins, Asa Lawrence, A.M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 402-403

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: Jesse Shelton

Item: the following Negro Slaves to wit; Jesse 53, Bob 18, Ned 23, Luce 16, Hannah 18, Alfred 6 in the year A.D. 1822. And, also Phillis 26, Pat 7, Caroline 4, Henry 1 & Lydd 8, Mary 5, Lane (Jane) 2

Consideration: \$1,200

Date: 6 Oct 1830

Other Names: Barley English, Wm. Grayson, Philander Littrell, clerk of the Sevier Circuit Court in the town of Paraclifta (18 Apr 1831). Filed: 10 Oct 1831 by Allen M. Oakley, Clerk at Washington

Bill of Sale - pp. 407-408

Grantor: Samuel B. Davis

Grantee: Peter T. Hickman

Item: one Negro woman slave for life named Magan, and one Negro child slave for life name Rhoda aged about 5 years

Consideration: \$503

Date: 25 Jul 1831 Recorded: 15 Oct 1831

Other Names: Geo. Conway, Asa Lawrence, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed of Mortgage - pp. 408-410

Grantor: Ambrose Douthitt

Grantee: Matthew Gray

Item: two certain Negro slaves for life, to wit. A Negro man named Larn of black color or complexion about 17 years old, and a Negro girl named Ellen of a yellow color or complexion, about 12 years old, which said Negroes are the same heretofore mortgaged by the said Ambrose Douthitt to John Barkman and are now in the possession of Benjamin R. Milan.

Consideration: \$270 (money borrowed by Douthitt)

Date: 3 Sep 1831 Recorded: 28 Oct 1831

Other Names: Thomas Hubbard, Daniel Ringo, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 417

Grantor: John Ward

Grantee: Hewitt Burt

Item: a Negro girl named Matilda about 18 years of age and her child named Silvy about 1 year old

Consideration: \$500

Date: 18 Oct 1831 Recorded: 5 Mar 1832

Other Names: Green Orr, John Baird, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed of Mortgage - pp. 418-419

Grantor: John Holeman

Grantee: Matthew Gray both of the town of Washington, County of Hempstead

Item: one Negro man a slave for life of yellow complexion aged about 36 years, named Charles, also one Negro woman slave aged about 45 years named Rose

Consideration: \$200 (debt to be paid by Gray)

Date: 15 Mar 1832 Recorded: 16 Mar 1832

Other Names: William Moss, Daniel Ringo, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Deed of Mortgage - p. 421

Grantor: John Barkman - County of Lafayette

Grantee: Ambrose Douthitt - County of Hempstead

Item: a deed of mortgage upon certain Negro slave of Douthitt, to wit. One Negro named **Larn**, then about 15 years of age, and one Negro girl named **Ellen**, then about 10 years of age

Consideration: \$250 (Barkman received satisfaction of payment on mortgage deed)

Date: 31 Dec 1831 Recorded: 21 Mar 1832

Other Names: Daniel Ringo, E. Mirick, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Emancipation (transcribed) - Hardy Hunter to Servant Boatswain - p. 422

To all to whom these presents shall come, know ye that I Mandy Hunter of the county of Hempstead and Territory of Arkansas do by these presents emancipate and set free my servant **Boatswain (Boatswaim)** about sixty years of age from all further service to me or my heirs; and I do hereby relinquish all claim to property to the said **Boatswain** for myself my heirs executors etc. And I hereby acknowledge and declare him to be free to all intents and purposes and to enjoy all the rights and privileges as such.

Witness my hand and seal this 3rd day of April 1832

Hardy Hunter {seal}

Sealed Signed Acknowledged

In the presence of

F.H. McWilliams

A.M. Oakley

Recorded: 3 April 1832

Allen M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - p. 423

Grantor: Samuel B. Davis

Grantee: Peter J. Hickman

Item: the following described Negro Slaves viz. a Negro woman named **Morges (Magan)** about 20 years of age and her child named **Rhoda** a girl about 4 years of age & a Negro woman named **Patsey** about 17 years of age

Consideration: \$694.60

Date: 31 Dec 1831 Recorded: 21 Mar 1832

Other Names: John Barkman, Daniel Ringo, E. Mirick, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 425-426

Grantor: James Gibson - Sheriff of the County of Hempstead

Grantee: Bartlet Zackary, Junior

Item: a Negro man **Abraham**

Consideration: \$23.50 (Zackary being the highest bidder)

Judgment against Thomas R. Moore. Take into custody one Negro man called Abraham as the property of Thomas R. Moore named in said execution and advertising the said Negro for sale by putting up six hand bills at different places the most public in the County of Hempstead named in said execution containing a description of the Negro to be sold and the time and place of sale and terms upon which and by what authority the said Negro was to be sold

Date: 3 Apr 1832 Recorded: 12 Apr 1832

Other Names: D.T. Witters, J.R. Taylor, J. Gibson, J.W. Judkins, John Brickey, W. Woodman, Ringo & Ashley (attorneys), J.B. Gibson, Chester Ashley, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 445-447

Grantor: William P. Hickman - Parish and State of Louisiana

Grantee: Peter T. Hickman - County of Hempstead, Territory of Arkansas

Item: several lots & parcels of land and also the following named and described Negroes. To wit. **Reuben** a black man about 24 years of age. **Wilham** a small black man about 23 years old. **Jesse** a tall black boy about 18 years old **Samuel** a boy of yellowish complexion about 17 years old **Bob** a boy of yellowish complexion about 17 years old **Ambrose** a black man about 29 years old. **Minorvana** a black man about 26 years old **Lonnel Ross** a boy about 16 years old **Jesse** a man of yellowish complexion a tanner by trade about 24 years old **Lasena** a woman about 35 years old, and **Betsy** a girl about 15 years old

Consideration: \$601

Date: 2 Apr 1832 Recorded: 16 Jun 1832

Other Names: George Conway, Wm. McCurdey, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 456

Grantor: John Holeman

Grantee: Hedgman Triplett

Item: one Negro girl **Annica** about 65 years of age, a Negro boy 48 years old named **Fill** and other Negro boy named **Henry** about 45 years old children of the said Annica

Consideration: \$500

Date: 8 Sep 1832 Recorded: 8 Aug 1832

Other Names: James Moss, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 463

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: Thomas W. Leatt, John Pettigrew, L. Leonard Wilson

Item: the following described slaves to wit. **Phillis** a woman about 30 years of age **Lyd** a girl about 10 years old **Caroline** about 8 years old **Henry** about 4 years old and **Christ** about 1 year old Slaves for life

Consideration: \$1 paid by Thomas W. Scott upon condition that Leatt, Pettigrew, Wilson sign a penal bond as securities of Benjamin Clark in the penal sum of \$2,200 payable to Solomon Loher, Daniel Goodman and Absalom M. Harris upon two judgments against Clark

Date: 1 Oct 1832

Other Names: Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 464-466

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: Edward Johnson, Junior & Joseph Stuart

Item: Slaves for life: **Bob, Ned, Alfred, Luce and Gilbert**

Consideration: \$3,600

The said Edward Johnson and Joseph Stuart have become bound into Jesse Shelton as the security of the said Clark on the penal sum of \$3,600 (terms and conditioned outlined....) Benjamin Clark has granted bargained and sold unto the said Edward Johnson Jr. and Joseph Stuart the above mentioned Negroes

Date: 2 Apr 1832

Other Names: George Conway, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 468-469

Grantor: F.H. McWilliams

Grantee: John M. Fowler

Item: a certain Negro man named **York** a slave for life aged about 32 of dark complexion and sound in body and mind

Consideration: \$600

Date: 15 Sep 1832 Recorded: 1 Nov 1832

Other Names: R.B. Fowler, M.H. Disian, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 469-470

Grantor: F.H. McWilliams

Grantee: John M. Fowler

Item: a certain Negro man named **Ben** a slave for life aged about 31 or 32 of dark yellow complexion, and sound in body and mind

Consideration: \$550

Date: 15 Sep 1832 Recorded: 1 Nov 1832

Other Names: R.B. Fowler, M.H. Disian, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 474

Grantor: William D. Pennington - County of Union, Territory of Arkansas

Grantee: John Davis - County of Hempstead

Item: Two Negro Slaves to wit. a yellow boy named **Valentine** about 14 years old and a black boy named **Stephen** about 12 years old

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 28 Nov 1832

Other Names: Elijah Stuart, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 476-477

Grantor: Johnathan West - Clark County, Territory of Arkansas

Grantee: Ephraim Mirick - County of Hempstead

Item: a certain Negro woman called **Sarah** and her male child called **Sam**. Said woman is about 30 years of age and both slaves for life

Consideration: \$550

Date: 30 Mar 1832

Other Names: James Lafferty, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 477-478

Grantor: Sinkler Johnson

Grantee: Henry K. Brown - County of Sevier, Territory of Arkansas

Item: the following described Negro slaves, to wit. A woman named **Hager (Mager)** about 28 years old and her three children - namely **Aaron** a boy about 4 years old **Sarah** a girl about 2 years old, and an **infant child (female)** which said Negro slaves I hereby warrant to be sound and healthy both in body and mind and slaves for life

Consideration: \$900

Date: 20 Dec 1832

Other Names: W.P. Hickman, F.A. McWilliams, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 481-482

Grantor: John Lewis

Grantee: Robert Morrow

Item: a certain Negro man named **Isaac** about 50 years of age

Consideration: \$500

Date: 28 Dec 1832 Recorded: 29 Dec 1832

Other Names: Joseph Lewis, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 517

Grantor: Edward Johnson, Senior

Grantee: Jeremiah Pate

Item: the two following described slaves to wit. **Lenna** a yellow girl about 4 years of age, and **Charlotte** a black girl about 4 years of age, slaves for life

Consideration: \$500

Date: 19 Nov 1833

Other Names: D.T. Witter, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 520-521

Grantor: Dudley Glass - County of Weakley, State of Tennessee

Grantee: Bartlett Zackary - County of Hempstead

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Tom** about 13 years old

Consideration: \$375

Date: 11 Dec 1833

Other Names: Miller H. Disian, Deputy Clerk for Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 525-526

Grantor: Michael Draper

Grantee: David Draper

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Lucinda** a slave for life aged about 11 years, two heads of horses, six head of cattle his household and kitchen furniture and farming tools

Consideration: \$550

Date: 24 Jan 1834

Other Names: George Conway, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book B - 1825-1834 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 526-527

Grantor: Phineas Nash

Grantee: Samuel McDonald

Item: a Negro woman named **Sarah** about 22 years of age of a yellow complexion, and I do hereby warrant said slave to be sound and healthy both in body and mind and a slave for life

Consideration: \$500

Date: 25 Jan 1834

Other Names: Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 532

Grantor: John M. McLain

Grantee: William McLain

Item: the following described slaves, to wit. **Mariah** a black woman aged about 35 years and her infant child named **George**, slaves for life, and I warrant said slaves to be sound and healthy both in body and mind

Consideration: \$500

Date: 12 Apr 1834

Other Names: George Conway, Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 533

Grantor: William McLain

Grantee: John M. McLain

Item: the following described slaves, to wit. **Fanny** age about 60 ?**Lougang** age about 10 years **Jesse** aged about 7 years **Julianne** about 5 years of age and **Minerva** about 3 years old

Consideration: \$500

Understood that I have sold all the right title claim and interest that the following named persons had to said slaves to wit. **Carter McLain**, **James M. Grace**, his wife **Elizabeth McLain** (heirs & Legatees of John McLain)

Date: 12 Apr 1834

Other Names: George Conway, A.M. Oakley, J.P.

Bill of Sale - p. 534

Grantor: George T. Boren - County of Sevier, Territory of Arkansas

Grantee: Abraham Black - County of Hempstead

Item: a Negro girl name **Pricilla** about 14 years of age

Consideration: \$450

Date: 19 Apr 1834

Other Names: A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 536

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: David Lowe (Low)

Item: Eighteen Negro Slaves to wit. **Jesse** about 50 years of age **Rachel** about 50 ?**Noel Ebief** 30 soon, **Hannah** 50, **Bob** 26, **Luce** 24, **Alfred** 14, **Fillis (Phillis)** 35, **Pats** 9, **Caroline** 7, **Walker** 1, **Uury (Aury)** 9, **Jim (Tim)** 6, **Henry** 5, **Christ** 3, ?**Saine** 4, **Closey** 2, ?**Lea (Sea)** 13

Consideration: \$6,800

Date: 5 Mar 1834

Other Names: John Jones; Wm. McDonald; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book C - 1834-1837 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 4

Grantor: Benjamin Clark

Grantee: D.Y. Grayson

Item: Slaves: **Jese** age 50, **Rachel** age 50; **Lucy** age 24; **Syd (Lyd)** age 13, **Mary** age 9; **Caroline** age 7; **Jim (Tim)** age 6; **Sam** age 5; **Clarisser** age 2

Consideration: \$2,550

Date: 21 Jun 1834

Other Names: Allen Oakley, JP, Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder

Deed of Gift - pp. 7-9

Grantor: Charles Buford - Giles Co. Tennessee

Grantees: Granddaughters: Josephine Judkins, Margaret Judkins, daughters of James W. Judkins and Precilla R. Judkins of Hempstead County, Arkansas Territory

Item: One Negro woman **Emily**, lately loaned to Precilla Judkins

Consideration: Gift

Date: 29 Jul 1834 Recorded: 20 Aug 1834

Other Names: Sterling H. Lester, Clerk and Wm. B. Tinsley, Circuit Court Judge, Pulaski County, TN.; Allen M. Oakley

Bill of Sale - p. 9

Grantor: Hardy Hunter

Grantee: John W. Pettigrew

Item: Negro slave name **Lucy** and her infant child name **Angleline**

Consideration: \$540

Date: 6 Sept 1834

Other Names: William Chysup (Chssup), C.T. Williamson, Allen Oakley, J.P. Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 11-12

Grantor: William McDonald and Polly McDonald

Grantee: John McLane

Item: Right and claim to certain negro slaves in estate of John McLane, decease viz. **Mariah**, **Lansine**, **Jesse**, **Minerva** and infant child of Mariah the name of which is unknown

Consideration: \$200

Date: 22 Jan 1834 Recorded: 4 Oct 1834

Other Names: Hewitt Burt, Grandison D. Royston, Deputy Clerk for A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 44-45

Grantor: J. William Montgomery

Grantee: Elizabeth Mirick

Item: Negro woman called **Ann** (20) and her male child **Aaron** (8 months old)

Consideration: \$600

Date: 23 Jan 1835

Other Names: W.S. Johnson, Allen M. Oakley, J.P. Clerk

Deed Book C - 1834-1837 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 45-56

Grantor: J. William Montgomery

Grantee: Mary B. Mirick

Item: Negro Boy named **Po (Jo)**, age 19 years

Consideration: \$700

Date: 8 Jan 1835 Recorded: 29 Jan 1835

Other Names: W.S. Johnson; Allen M. Oakley, JP, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 46-47

Grantor: J. James Campbell - Limestone County, Alabama

Grantee: Elizabeth Mirick of Hempstead County

Item: Negro girl **Huldah** age 14, slave for life

Consideration: \$500.00

Date: 29 Jan 1835 Recorded: 29 Jan 1835

Other Names: W.S. Johnson; A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 47-48

Grantor: William Moss

Grantee: Ephriam Mirick

Item: Negro woman **Keziah** age about 23, slave for life

Consideration: \$500

Date: 15 Mar 1834 Recorded: 29 Jan 1835

Other Names: W.S. Johnson, Allen M. Oakley, J.P., Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 48

Grantor: James M. Fulkerson - Lafayette County, Missouri

Grantee: Ephriam Mirick

Item: negro Boy **Rali (Rule)** age 19, slave for life

Consideration: \$700

Date: 19 Nov 1834 Recorded: 29 Jan 1835

Other Names: William Moss; Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 49-50

Grantor: John S. Eads - Clark County, Arkansas Territory

Grantee: Elizabeth Mirick

Item: negro man named **Israel** age about 26

Consideration: \$600

Date: 6 Jan 1835 Recorded: 29 Jan 1835

Other Names: Wm. S. Johnson; Allen M. Oakley, J.P.

Deed Book C - 1834-1837 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Deed of Gift - p. 156

Grantor: Arthur Moody - Mecklenburg County, Virginia

Grantee: Henry A. Bennett, infant child of daughter Mary Ann Bennett, wife of Johnathan Bennett

Item: negro girl named **Jinny**

Consideration: \$1 for the love and affection of child or children of daughter

Date: 18 Oct 1834 Recorded: 2 Jun 1836

Other Names: Wm. B. Easley, A.L. Easley, William Burnnell, Elizabeth H. Brunnell, Allen M. Oakley; Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - p. 243

Grantor: Jacob Wallace

Grantee: Johnathan West

Item: Negro man named **Charles**, about 24 years old

Consideration: \$800

Date: 22 Oct 1835

Other Names: W. Bolls, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - p. 267

Grantor: Peyton Medlin

Grantee: John McDagle or Wm. McDagle

Item: negro woman slave, **Unia**

Consideration: \$250 for the use and benefit of my son William McDagle Medlin and daughter Mary Ann Medlin and the love and affection I have of said son and daughter

Date: 29 Aug 1836

Other Names: Thomas Hubbard, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 467

Grantor: Hugh A. Blevins

Grantee: Dolly Pennington

Item: mulatto woman named **Nancy**, daughter of the said Dolly and age about 30 years. Warranted as a slave for life. But I do not warrant her as healthy in body.

Consideration: \$500

Date: 18 Jan 1834 Recorded: 20 Sept 1834

Other Names: D.F. Willis, Andrew C. Roberts for Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 27-28

Grantor: James Gibson, Sheriff and Collector of Taxes - County of Hempstead

Grantee: Ephraim Mirick

Item: a certain Negro woman slave for life named **Isbel** aged about 55 years, property of Frances Boyd

Terms: Slave seized and taken into possession from Frances Boyd for refusal to pay taxes of \$156.15. Advertised and gave notice to sell on 7 Oct 1837 in the town of Washington, County of Hempstead for taxes due.

Consideration: \$168 (Ephraim Mirick the highest and last bidder)

Other Names: S.T. Sanders, Wm. W. Andrews, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Emancipation (transcribed) - John Glass to Slave Edman Wade - p. 56

This to certify, that I have given a black man slave by the name **Edman** to John B. Sandefer until the first day of January eighteen hundred and thirty eight, and then he is to be free upon condition that he never returns back to the state of Alabama, and should he ever return back to state he will then be the property of John glass of said state

Given under my hand this 26th day of October 1837

John glass

Edman (X-his mark) Wade

Other Names: John ?Punyear, A.M. Oakley, Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder

Recorded: 23 Nov 1837

Estate of Theodoseck Jones - pp. 82-83

Edwin H. Clark, John H. Cumliffe & William A. Jones are bound unto John H. Sogwood in the sum of \$5,000. Condition of the above bond: Sogwood, administrator of will and personal estate of Theodoseck Jones, *deceased*. Released to Edwin H. Clarke possession of the share of slaves allotted to Susan ?S.H. Cumliffe wife of John H. Cumliffe and daughter of Theodoseck, *deceased*.

Item: Slaves: **Thomas** about 40 years, **Thomas** about 9 years, **George** about 16 years, **Hannah** about 30 years, **Dick** about 5 years, **Brauch** about 7 years & **Sopz (Sosy)** about 6 years.

Recorded: 2 Dec 1837

Other Names: Henry G. Smith, W.T. Gerald, A.M. Oakley, Clerk & Ex-Officio Recorder

Bill of Sale - P. 124

Grantor: John Cunliffe & Susan SH, his wife of the one part

Grantee: Phillip Rainey & John Bennett ____partners & Theodoseck A. Bennett (late) merchants & partners trading under the firm and state of Bennett & Rainey of the other part

Item: a certain Negro boy slave named **Brauch** of the age of between 12 and 13 years

Consideration: The amount of two judgments against John Clumliff in the amounts of \$45.70 and \$93.10

Date: 21 Feb 1838 Certified at Spring Hill 10 Feb 1838

Other Names: Wm. H. Winn, Acting J.P. & Esquire, Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 131-133

Grantor: James H. Walker

Grantee: Edward Johnson

Item: Negro Slaves, named as follows, viz. **Robin, Louisa, Julian, Alfred, Reuben, Lucy, Harry, Will, Jane, Harriett, Hannah, Sarah, Jack, Clarissa, William, Peggy, George, Aaron, Glasgow, Thomas, John, ?Clara, Martha, ?Hisy, Abby, Jim, Richard, ?leg (beg), Jack, Phillias, Laura, ?Cas, Josh, ?Jac, Dick, Morris, ?Reoon, Eliza and Stephen.**

250 acres of land and other property listed...

Consideration: \$35,000 (payment dates described)

Date: 27 Feb 1838

Other Names: Wm. W. Andrews, Samuel C. Wheat, Simon T. Sanders, Dan'l E. Williams
(Sanders & Williams), A.M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 139

Grantor: James H. Walker

Grantee: Isabella Walker Sanders daughter of Simon T. Sanders

Item: a certain Negro woman slave named **Betsy Cary** about 36 years old, which said slave is now hired to Simon T. Sanders

Consideration: \$1

Date: 8 Mar 1838

Other Names: Samuel C. Wheat, Andrew C. Roberts, Burkett D. Jett, Acting J.P., Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 156-157

Grantor: John L. Eads

Grantee: John W. Williams

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Lucy** aged about 15 years and a slave for life

Consideration: \$520 - Provided nevertheless, that if said Eads pay Williams on or before the seventh of June next the above sum of money, then this deed shall be null and void, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue.

Date: 24 Mar 1838 Recorded: 2 Apr 1838

Other Names: Andrew C. Roberts, Deputy for Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 169

Grantor: Talby Boyds

Grantee: Edwin Brittin

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Isabel** aged about 55 years, a slave for life

Consideration: \$300

Date: 4 Apr 1838 Recorded: 23 Apr 1838

Other Names: Ephraim Mirick, J.H. Walker, Andrew C. Roberts, Deputy for Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 226

Grantor: Asa Thompson - Pike County, Arkansas

Grantee: John W. Williams - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro girl **Mary** aged 11 years a slave for life

Consideration: \$450

Date: 2 Apr 1838 Recorded: 18 Aug 1838

Other Names: Jno. D. Trimble (witness), Andrew C. Roberts, Deputy for Allen M. Oakley, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 227

Grantor: James Black

Grantee: Martin Moudy

Item: one Negro girl, slave for life named **Hannah** about 12 years old

Consideration: \$500

Date: __ Aug 1838 Recorded: 30 Aug 1838

Other Names: Jno. Field, Burkett D. Jett, Acting J.P., Andrew Roberts, Deputy for Allen M. Oakley

Bill of Sale - p. 310

Grantor: Grandison D. Royston

Grantee: John W. Williams

Item: the following described Negroes, slaves for life to wit: a Negro Woman named **Hannah** aged about 19 years and a Negro man named **William** aged about 25 years slave for life, they being the same slaves purchased by me from Charles Pettigrew of Sevier County, Arkansas in the year 1838

Consideration: \$1,700

Date: 17 Jan 1839 Recorded: 23 Jan 1839

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 351-352

Grantor: William D. Ward of the first part

Grantee: Joseph Stuart of the second part

Item: Ward hereby bargain and sell to Stuart, a certain Negro woman of yellow color named **Luce**, about 23 years of age, and also a Negro girl about 10 years of age of a dark color named **Suse**

Consideration: Stuart received a judgment issued against Ward on 19 Mar 1839 for the sum of \$2,000 debt and also for interest from the 12th day of June 1837 until paid at the rate of 6% annual. Thereby in consideration of the sum of \$1,100 to be credited on the said execution Ward sells to Stuart the above mentioned slaves.

Date: 22 Mar 1839 (in Columbus Arkansas) Recorded: 25 Mar 1839

Other Names: John Carr, W.P. Bailey, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 367-368

Grantor: Joseph Stewart (Stuart) of the first part

Grantee: William Trimble and Lucetta Johnson of the other part

Item: the following described property to *wit.*, one mulatto woman named **Luce** about 23 years of age, also a girl of a dark color about 10 years of age named **Suse**

Consideration: \$1,000 (to have and to hold in trust for the benefit of Rebecca Leland, the sister of Joseph and for the maintenance and support of the children of Rebecca. The said trustees to appropriate the services of said Negroes for the above purpose or to hire them out for the support of Rebecca).

Date: 23 Mar 1839 Recorded: 13 Apr 1839

Other Names: John P. Collins, Joseph Stalcup, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 383-384

Grantor: Andrew R. Craddock - County of Marshall, State of Mississippi

Grantee: John W. Williams - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: the following named mentioned and described Negroes, slaves for life to *wit*: **Soloman** a Negro man aged about 30 years, **?Lavey** a Negro woman aged about 26 years, **Louan** a Negro woman aged about 27 years, **Sarah** a Negro woman aged about 40 years, **J---ly** a Negro woman aged about 26 years, **?Rettin** a Negro girl aged about 11 years, **Rem_y** a Negro girl aged about 7 years and **Lucicia** a Negro girl aged about 10 years, which said Eight mentions and describes and all slaves for life.

Consideration: \$4,200

Date: 26 Apr 1839

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale (transcribed) - p. 389

Received of William Shaw Twelve hundred dollars for a Negro man named **Harry** about twenty five years of age a slave for life. I well warrant this Slave Sound and healthy and free from all impediments whatever and I will further warrant and defend the title from all claim or claims from all and every person whatever. Given under my hand & seal May 1st 1839.

J.H. Rawlings

Other Names: Robert L. Phillips, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Recorded: 7 May 1839

Bill of Sale - pp. 394-395

Grantor: Charles Carson - Miller County Arkansas

Grantee: Enoch J. Smith - Hempstead County Arkansas

Item: the following named and described Negroes slaves for life, to *wit.* - a Negro girl named **Sophia** aged about 17 years, **Nancy** a Negro woman, aged about 32 years, **Dicy** a Negro girl aged about 14 years, **Little Nancy** a Negro girl aged about 12 years, **?Inn** a Negro boy about 14 years-**Harvey** a Negro boy about 12 years and **Dick** a Negro boy about 10 years.

Consideration: \$4,600

Date: 11 May 1839

Other Names: G.D. Royston, R.L. Phillips

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 395-396

Grantor: Charles Carson - Miller County

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: the following named Negroes slaves for life, to *wit.* - **Betsy**, a Negro woman aged about 32 years and her two children to *wit.* **Lucy** a Negro girl aged about 6 years, and **Madison** a Negro boy child aged about 2 years.

Consideration: \$1,300

Date: 11 May 1839

Other Names: David G. Ellers, Robert L. Phillips, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 398-399

Grantor: Lucy R. Gray (in my own right and administration of the Estate of Matthew Gray *deceased*) - Town of Washington, Hempstead County

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Louan** slave for life aged about 14 or 15 years

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 18 May 1839

Other Names: Burkett Jett, Daniel E. Alexander, Simon T. Sanders

Bill of Sale - p. 400

Grantor: Joseph Parton and Sarah Parton (heirs at law of John McLain, *deceased*)

Grantee: John McLain

Item: **Mariah** age 40, **Fanny** age 60, **?Lozena** age 14, **Jesse** age 12, **Minena** age 7 and all the increase of the before mentioned slave for life.

Consideration: \$300 (for Mary McLain, widow of John McLain)

Date: 18 May 1839

Other Names: Henry S. Bennett, William C. McDonald, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 438-439

Grantor: Ransom Logan - Sumpter District, South Carolina

Grantee: John L. Eads - Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana

Item: the following slaves to *wit.* - **Judy** Negro girl about 25 years of age, **Lucy** about 15 years & **Lydia** about 12 years, slaves for life together with their future increase.

Consideration: \$2,400 (\$1,200 paid in cash, \$1,200 balance on promissory note, payable on 1 Jan 1839 at the Bank of Louisiana at Alexandria with 10% interest annual).

Date: 16 Jan 1838 Recorded: 5 Jun 1839

Other Names: Patrick M. Laughlin, A.L. Bringham, John Harris Johnston (Judge, Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana), A.B. Roman, H.A. Bullard, Simon T. Sanders (Clerk, Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 441

Grantor: Asa Thompson - Pike County

Grantee: John W. Williams - Hempstead County

Item: two Negroes - viz - One man named **John** aged about 20 years (a yellow boy). one girl named **Lucy** aged about 14 years

Consideration: \$1,850

Date: 8 Jun 1839 Recorded: (?) 7 Jun 1839

Other Names: Henry Cheatham, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Certificate of Character: Henry Murnford & family of Anson County, North Carolina (transcribed) - pp. 443-444

This is to certify that we, the undersigned subscribers have been acquainted with the bearer **Henry Murnford** and his wife **Sally**, and her three children, namely **Caroline**, aged about four years and six months, **Rachel** aged about two years and eight months and an **infant child** aged about seven months, all of which we do certify to be free people by birth, and we do also further certify that said Murnford and his family is of an honest and industrious character, and leaves this part of the County clear of any dishonest or bad charge. In witness whereof we do hereunto subscribe our names this 5 day of December 1833. State of North Carolina Anson County.

Benjamin Vaughn

Samuel Cox

Martin Clark

Elijah Ratcliff

Charles Henson, J.P.

Benjamin Moorman

Mithchell Moorman

Other Names: Sherwood C. Linday, J.P., Robert Hattaway (a respectable citizen of county),

William Dismuck (Clerk of County Court, Anson County),

Recorded: 7 Dec 1833 at Wadesborough

Simon T. Sanders (Clerk of the Circuit Court, Hempstead County Arkansas)

Recorded: 11 Jun 1839

Certificate of Character: John Robinson of Gibson County, Tennessee (transcribed) - pp. 444-445

We, the undersigned citizens of Gibson County Tennessee, do certify that **John Robinson** a free man of colour, the bearer of this and with whom we have been acquainted for many years, is free, is honest, industrious, peacable and quiet, and deserves employment from his steady habits and his general deportment. Signed by us the 7th of September 1836.

Trenton:

R.J. Rames

Felix Parker Jr.

Thos. Fite

John W. Crockett

Robert Seat

H.D. Neilson

C. Miller

H. Donaldson

J.D. Hill

J.B. Blakemore

B. Elder

Jas. H. Edmondson

B. Crawford

Other Names: Allen C. Nunn (Clerk of the County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in the town of Trenton) Recorded: 7 Sep 1836 - Simon T. Sanders (Clerk of the Circuit Court, Hempstead County Arkansas) Recorded: 11 Jun 1839

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Certificate of Character: Daniel Robinson of Gibson County, Tennessee (transcribed) - pp. 445-446

We the undersigned citizens of Gibson County Tennessee, do certify that **Daniel Robinson** a free man of colour, the bearer of this, and with whom we have been acquainted for many years; is free, is honest, industrious, peaceable and quiet, and deserves employment from his steady habits and his general deportment in life with us. Signed by us the 7th of September 1836.

Trenton	Trenton
R.C. Rames	H. Donaldson
Felin Parker Jr.	J.D. Hill
Thos. Fate	J.B. Blakemore
John W. Crockett	B. Elder
Robert Seat	Jas. H. Edmondson
H.D. Neilson	B. Crawford
C. Miller	

Other Names: Allen C. Nunn (Clerk of the County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in the town of Trenton) Recorded: 7 Sept 1836 - Simon T. Sanders (Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex-Officio Recorder, Hempstead County Arkansas) Recorded: 11 Jun 1839

Certificate of Character: Elbert Robinson of Ansom County, North Carolina (transcribed) pp. 451-452

State of North Carolina
Ansom County

The Bearer hereof, **Elbert Robinson**, a free man of colour having signified to us his intention of traveling, and wishing a certificate of character. We, the undersigned acting Justices of the Peace for said county, do hereby certify that we have known the said Elbert Robinson from his infancy, and feel no hesitancy in stating that he is a Young man of honest and industrious habits, and has always supported a fair character. The said Elbert Robinson is a bright mulatto about five feet, ten inches high, Twenty four years of age, an has a considerable scar on the fore finger of his right hand, caused by a cut. Given under our hands at Wadesborough this 12th day of October 1829.

Sam'l Spencer, J.P.
Charles Hinson, J.P.
Solomon Williams, J.P.

Other Names: William Dismuck (Clerk of the County Court of Ansom County at Wadesborough) Recorded: 24 Jul 1832 - Simon T. Sanders (Clerk of the Circuit Court & Ex-Officio Recorder, Hempstead County Arkansas) Recorded: 17 Jun 1939

Deed Book D - 1837-1839 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 463-464

Grantor: Allen M. Oakley of the one part

Grantee: **Anna Bradley**, a free woman of colour of the next

Item: Oakley has dismissed and let to the said Ann Bradley the following described tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Hempstead in the State of Arkansas to wit: The North West Quarter of Section Eighteen in Township Eleven South of Range Twenty five West containing 160 acres to have and to hold with all the rights and improvements thereunto belonging to said Ann Bradley her heirs Executors administrators and assigns for the full term of 5 years from 1 Jan 1839 on terms that Ann Bradley clear and improve 30 acres of land including portion now cleared.

Date: 22 July 1839

Other Names: G.D. Royston, Sam'l Gray, Burkett D. Jett, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 470

Grantor: Asa Thompson - Pike County

Grantee: John Shark - Hempstead County

Item: two Negro boys, one about 11 years old and named **Ben**, the other 15 years of age and named **Harry** both of dark complexion.

Consideration: \$1,535

Date: 19 Jul 1839 (in Washington Township) Recorded: 2 Aug 1839

Other Names: W.S. Johnson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 473-474

Grantor: Andrew J. Armstrong - Sevier County

Grantee: Grandison Royston

Item: a certain Negro boy slave for life named **Jardan** aged about 16 years

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 9 Aug 1839

Other Names: Burkett D. Jett, Augustus Block

Bill of Sale - pp. 475-476

Grantor: Samuel Gee

Grantee: Children: Abraham Williamson Gee, William Heath Gee, Charles Pinckney Gee, Joseph Fletcher Gee and Mary Fletcher Gee

Item: Ten Negroes slaves for life of the following names and descriptions; to wit: **Daniel** a Negro man age about 38 years; **Nancy** a Negro woman age about 23 years, **Seny** a Negro Woman age about 22 years, **Dick** a Negro Boy age about 19 years, **Hester** a Negro girl age about 10 years, **Martha** a Negro girl about 8 years of age, **Ben** a Negro Boy about 6 years of age, **Chaney** a Negro girl about 4 years of age, **Jinny** a Negro girl about 1 year old, and **Mima** a Negro girl about 11 months old.

Consideration: of the natural love and affection which I bear unto my children and further consideration of \$1

Date: 12 Aug 1839 Recorded: 13 Aug 1839

Other Names: Geo. Conway, C.K. Witter, Robert Phillips, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 31

Grantor: Ethelbert B. Fowlkes

Grantee: Jonathan West

Item: the following described Negro slave for life to wit: one certain Negro woman named **Evalena** about 23 years of age, and one certain Negro woman named **Belinda** about 18 years of age both slaves for life

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 17 Sep 1839

Other Names: William Bolls, Levin W. Cooper, Wm. W. Andrews

Certificate of Character: Zachariah Roberson & family of Ansom County, North Carolina (transcribed) - pp. 49-50

We the undersigners Subscribers do hereby certify that we have been acquainted with **Zachariah Roberson** his wife and **Sally Jacobs** his mother who we do hereby certify are free people of Color, and have for many years resided in this County (this County of Ansom in the State of North Carolina and neighborhoods of Pee Dee River and we do further more certify that the aforesaid **Zachariah Roberson Betsy Roberson** and **Sally Jacobs** Since our acquaintance with them ever Supported a fair honest Industrious and _____[peacable] Character always avoiding law and immoral Company and keeping themselves clear from any Communication with Slaves in every way and always observing that humble ?Nationl [nature] Suitable to their Color and Condition in life = ?We /When/ there has been Some excitement in this Section of the Country with regard to the insurrection of Slaves it may be well here to State that the aforesaid **Zachariah Roberson** and all of his family leaves this Section of the Country entirely clear of any sensure or Suspicion whatever with regard to Said insurrection or any Other dishonorable, and leaves this neighborhood with the esteem and good will of the neighborhood generally the Said **Zachariah Roberson** Carries with him Eleven of his children namely **Charles Roberson Alan Roberson Hannah Roberson John Roberson Coleman Roberson Daniel Roberson Mary Roberson Mumford Roberson ?Mar_h Roberson ?Moarning Roberson** and

[blank space] _____ **Roberson** All of whom we do hereby Certify are the Children of the aforesaid **Zachariah & Betsy Roberson** and are all free by Birth and entitled to all the freedom of their parents as free people of color. Witness our Signatures this thr [?third] month of November in the year Eighteen Hundred and thirty one

John ?Tinsdzc
William L. Terry Mc
Charles Henson J.P.
Martin Clark
Vincent Persons
Job Curtis
Benjamin Moorman
Elijah Ratliffe
Alfred M. Noble
H.W. Strickland

H. Myers
William N. Bennett
Joseph Pickett
Waddill Jr.
Thomas D. Parke
?Parks Buman Jr.
Wilson P. Liles
Solomon Williams J.P.
H.B. Jerigan

Other Names: William Dismuck, Clerk Court of Common Pleas, John Beverly Jr., Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas (Ansom County, North Carolina); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Recorded: 7 Oct 1839

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 63-64

Grantor: Sam'l and Jane Buster

Grantee: William and Martha Moss

Item: **Betty** the Negro slave for life ?**Mernin** and her child **Mary Jane** and the Negro slaves for life **Cinda Frank** and **Hamilton**

Consideration: \$400

Terms: Release quick claim and forever denounce all title to slaves belonging to the estate of **James Moss (deceased)** and in possession of **Sarah Moss** his widow.

Date: 31 Aug 1839 Recorded: 21 Oct 1839

Other Names: Jno. D. Holeman, James Moss, Martin Moudy, J.P., John B. Holman, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 73

Grantor: Anthony Clark

Grantee: Lewis Nance

Item: a certain Negro man named **Isaac** aged about 21 years, slave for life

Consideration: \$400

Date: 31 Oct 1839

Other Names: Jno. T. James, J.W. Finley, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 150

Grantor: William H. Parton and Benjamin L. Duncan, surviving partners of the late firm of Parton, Haley & Co.

Grantee: William McAtee

Item: the following described Negroes, slaves for life to wit. **Peter** a Negro man aged about 27 years and his wife **Caroline** a Negro woman aged about 18 years and their infant child **Nancy** a Negro girl aged about 7 months.

Consideration: \$1,900

Date: 22 Feb 1840 Recorded: 24 Feb 1840

Other Names: Robt. L. Phillips, Henry Cheatham, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 151-152

Grantor: Thomas C. Smith of the 1st part,

Grantee: Edward B. Fowlkes of the 2nd part and Joel W. Hannah of the 3rd part

Item: Thomas Smith indebted to Edward Fowlkes grants bargain sell and convey unto Joel W. Hannah the following property to wit. one Negro man named **Jacob**, one Negro woman named **Eliza** and her child **Sarah**...*other property listed*...

Consideration: \$1,131.85

Date: 21 Feb 1840 Recorded: 23 Feb 1840

Other Names: Green Mosley, Jn. Shepperman, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 158-159

Grantor: James Black

Grantee: Daniel E. Williams

Item: Three Negro slaves to *wit*: **Silvy** about 24 years of age, **Talby** her daughter about 7 years of age and **William** (Silvy's son) about 5 years.

Consideration: \$1,200

Date: 1 Jul 1839, 19 Aug 1839 Recorded: 20 Feb 1840

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 159-160

Grantor: William Shaw (Grandson & Guardian of James Black obtained in Probate Court)

Grantee: George Hill

Item: Slaves to *wit*: **Silvy**, a Negro woman aged about 24 years and two children; to *wit*:

William a Negro boy aged about 5 years and **Tabitha** a Negro girl aged about 7 years.

Consideration: \$1,510 (the highest and last bid) ½ of said sum in cash and executed note with approved security for the remainder of the purchase.

Date: 15 Feb 1840 Recorded: 29 Feb 1840

Other Names: G.D. Royston, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 164

Grantor: Carrell Cock(e)

Grantee: Samuel Gray

Item: Negro boy named **Robert** and a Negro girl named **Caroline** both of which are slaves for life.

Consideration: \$1,200

Date: ?1 May 1839 Recorded: 6 Mar 1840

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 166-168

Grantor: Elisha Battle

Grantee: Fredrick W. Trappnal & John W. Cocke

Item: one Negro man named **Nihon**, **Cape** or **Capilo**, boy named **John**, **Charles**, a small boy named **George**, Negro woman named **Hannah**, **Milbra** and her child **Sam**, **Suckey** and her two children ?**Laura** and **Thomas**. *Other property listed....* To be sold at public auction to satisfy debt to Shipp & Ferriday & Co.

Consideration: Elisha Battle is partly indebted to the firm of Shipp Ferriday & Co. in sum of \$8,241.20 with interest. Judgment against Battle; execution leveled against his property of lands, Negroes and personal property to satisfy debt.

Date: 20 Feb 1840 Recorded: 9 Mar 1840

Other Names: John ?Widgery, Acting J.P. (Big Rock Township, Pulaski County), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (Hempstead County)

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 243-244

Grantor: William M. Crawford

Grantee: George O. Britt

Item: one Negro girl slave named Catherine aged about 12 years

Consideration: \$142.24 (Due the 13th day of January 1841). If, Britt repays debt, this obligation becomes null & void.

Date: 13 Mar 1840

Other Names: Wm Smith, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Affidavit - Tom Roberts - A Free Person of Colour (Transcribed) - pp. 272-273

State of North Carolina

Beaufort County

To all to whom it may concern: The bearer **Tom Roberts** a man of colour, aged about twenty four years of age and with a stuttering Speech is a free born person, was bound and apprenticed by the County Court of Beaufort and served his said apprenticeship with Covington Samkins (who brought him out to North Carolina from Virginia and after the death of the said Samkins, the remainder of his term was spent with Joseph B. Henton, and at the present term he Enjoys his liberty as a free man as he ought to do. Given under my hand and Seal of office this 15th day of Feby 1820.

Thos. ?Sman Clk Co Co Beaufort

Other Names:

John Gray Blount, Chairman of the Court of Pleas (Beaufort Co., North Carolina)

Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of Circuit Court & Ex-officio Recorder (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Recorded: 21 Sep 1840 - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 296-297

Grantor: Anthony Clark

Grantee: Lewis Nance

Item: a certain Negro man named Isaac aged about 22 years, slave for life; it being same Negro conveyed by me by deed of mortgage to said Nance on the 31st day of October A.D. 1839

Consideration: \$700

Date: 28 Oct 1840

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 308-309

Grantor: William H. Conway

Grantee: Henry Cheatham

Item: a certain Negro boy of a black complexion aged about 21 years and named **Wilson**

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 6 Oct 1840

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - 322-323

Grantor: Sarah Moss, Isabella Davidson, Zachariah Moss, James Moss, William Moss

Grantee: Rebecca Moss

Item: a certain Negro girl about ___ years old called **Mary**, a slave for life and her increase

Consideration: \$1

Date: 24 Nov 1840 Recorded: 25 Nov 1840

Other Names: Thomas Davidson, Samuel Buster, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 358

Grantor: James G. Edwards

Grantee: William Shaw

Item: one Negro girl slave named **Violet** aged about 13 years a slave for life

Consideration: \$500

Date: 13 Jan 1841

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 373-374

Grantor: Henry Duty

Grantee: Rufus C. Berry

Item: a certain Negro girl a slave for life named **Nancy** about 14 years of age of yellow complexion

Consideration: \$700

Date: 26 Jan 1841

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Certificate of Character: Stephen ?Demesy of Catahoula Parish, Louisiana (transcribed)
p. 377

State of Louisiana
Parish of Catahoula

I certify that Stephen ?Demesy a free man of color who has remained in this Parish several years, has, during his residence here, conducted himself as an orderly and industrious man, and that he leaves the Parish of Catahoula for no fault.

Given under my hand and seal of office as Parish Judge in and for the Parish of Catahoula, State aforesaid this 20 day of January A.D. 1840

James G. Taliaferro
Parish Judge

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)
Recorded: 15 Feb 1841

Bill of Sale - p. 379

Grantor: J.H. Rawlings

Grantee: Edward L. Johnson, Sr.

Item: a Negro girl named ?**Manah**, a slave for life about 17 years of age

Consideration: \$800

Date: 4 May 1839 Recorded: 5 Feb 1841

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 392-393

Grantor: Samuel Collins

Grantee: Allerson B. Marlaw (Marler or Mavler)

Item: the following names slaves to *wit.* **Else**, a woman slave for life age 50 years or thereabouts, **Matilda** about 33 years old, **Eliza** about 12 years old, **Mary** about 10 years old, **Dennis** (a boy) about 8, and **Bob (Robert)** about 5 years old. *Other property listed...*

Consideration: \$3,000

Date: 1 Mar 1841

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Emancipation (transcribed) - James Harrison to Slave Ann Bradley - p. 395

To all to whom these Presents shall come. Whereas, I, James Harrison of the State of Arkansas, for and in consideration of the faithful services rendered me by my negro woman, **Ann**, a Slave aged about twenty two years, and for divers other good causes and considerations, have this day set free, emancipated and discharged from slavery my negro woman **Ann**, aged about twenty two years, aforesaid, she being the wife of **Gad Bradley**, a free man of Colour to have and enjoy her liberty and freedom forever. And I the said James Harrison do hereby and by these Presents, set free, emancipate and discharge from slavery forever the said Negro woman, **Ann**, aforesaid to have use and enjoy all the rights, priveleges, belonging to or appertaning to free persons of colour, as fully and to the same extent as if she had been born free. In witness whereof, I, the said James Harrison have hereto set my hand and seal this the 17th day of March AD. 1839

James Harrison {seal}

witnesses

J.H. Walker

J.S. Conway

Other Names: Charles Caldwell, Judge (Pulaski Circuit Court); Samuel R. Lincoln, Clerk; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of Circuit Court (Hempstead County).

Recorded Pulaski County: 25 Mar 1840 Recorded Hempstead County: 5 Mar 1841

Bill of Sale - pp. 406-408

Grantor: William H. Taylor - County of Lunenburg, State of Virginia of the 1st part

Grantee: John W. Pa___ - Hempstead County of the 2nd part and Mana (Mona) Laura Nelson wife of Charles T. Nelson - Hempstead County of the 3rd part

Taylor & Pa___, Trustees for Mana Laura Nelson

Item: Taylor has granted bargained and sold to Pa___ the following Negro slaves, to wit. one young Negro woman named **Judith** now in possession of Charles Nelson on a loan.

Delivered ___ Nov 1840 - Lunenburg County, Virginia

Consideration: \$1

Date: 23 Nov 1840 Recorded: 19 Mar 1941 (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Other Names: Edward Winn, Justice & Chairman of County Clerk (Lunenburg, State of Virginia)

Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas).

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 423-425

Grantor: John L. Peters & Richard Peters - Miller County, Arkansas

Grantee: James Kirkman - City of New Orleans

Item: the party of the 1st part grants, bargain & sell to James Kirkman, the following described Negroes, viz. - Negro man named **Putney**, woman named **Vina**, man named **Jack**, woman named **Eliza**, man named **Edmund** & his wife **Louisa**, woman named **Caroline** & her child **Sophia**, woman named **Patsey**, man named **Henry**, woman named **Sophonria** & her child named **Gid** —

Consideration: ?- \$807.78 (due by 1 Aug 1840)

John Peters & Richard Peters stand indebted to James Kirkman, John T. Abernathy & James Hanna; merchants trading under the name & style of Kirkman, Abernathy & Hanna in the city of New Orleans. And, John L. Peters & William Leigh are indebted to firm of Kirkman, Abernathy & Hanna on two Bills of Exchange drawn about the 23rd day of April 1840 for the sum of \$3,000. the other drawn by Peters & Leigh about the 28th of August 1839 for the sum of \$1,275.

Payments and interest described further...

Date: 17 Nov 1840 Recorded: 10 Apr 1841

Other Names: Jm. Pearsoll, William Trimble, Chas. Lewis (witnessed: 6 Dec 1840), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Emancipation (transcribed) - James W. Finley to Slave Maria - p. 427

Know all men by these presents that I James W. Finley of the County of Hempstead in the State of Arkansas for and in consideration of the sum of Five hundred dollars, and also for and in consideration of the faithful services rendered by a negro girl named **Maria**, slave for life, purchased by me of the Estate of Allen M Oakley deceased and for divers other good considerations and causes have emancipated freed from servitude and by these presents do emancipate, set free and discharge from slavery the said negro a mulatto woman slave as aforesaid named **Maria**, forever and I do hereby discharge, emancipate & set free the said **Maria** forever, from me, my heirs, executors, administrators and all other persons whomsoever. In witness where of I have here to set my hand and seal this 13th April AD 1841.

J.W. Finley

Witnesses:

John W. Cocke

Grandison D. Royston

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Recorded: 14 Apr 1841

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 443

Grantor: Henry C. Boyd

Grantee: Doctor Thomas Massie - State of Virginia

Item: the following Negroes, slaves for life to *wit.* **Squire, Carter, Lydia, Cerena, Milly, James, Mary, Gray, Harriett, and William**, all slaves for life, together with the future increase. Consideration: \$2,500 - Henry Boyd having borrowed from Doctor Thomas Massie \$2,500 and executed this note to Doctor Massie bearing the date 8 May 1841 and due payable on demand. When Boyd pays Massie with interest—then this obligation becomes null and void; else remain in full force.

Date: 14 May 1841

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 460-461

Grantor: Lucy R. Gray & Samuel Gray (Administrator of Estate for Matthew Gray, *deceased*)

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Susan**, a slave for life aged about 14 or 15. Slave Susan belonged to Matthew Gray, but was subsequently bought by Lucy R. Gray from the heirs of the Estate & taken by her in lien of cash due her as the widow of Matthew Gray.

Consideration: \$1.00 (paid by Grandison D. Royston to Samuel Gray)

Date: 18 May 1839 20 May 1839 Recorded: 9 Jul 1841

Other Names: Augustus Block, H.A. Blevins (witnessed: 9 Jul 1841), William Conway, Judge 6th Judicial Circuit, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale & Gift - pp. 483-484

Grantor: Nathaniel Brittin

Grantee: ?Artimena Brittin (wife), ?Volnmnia Jane Brittin (daughter)

& Frances Marvin Brittin (son)

Item: the following Negro slaves for life; to *wit.* one Negro woman named **Jenny** (alias Jane), two Negro boys **Jim** (alias James) and **George**, two Negro Girls **Rachel** and **Sarah**.

Consideration: For and in consideration of my natural love and affection. \$600 paid my Richard Brittin, late of Clark County Arkansas and further consideration of \$475 paid by Dimus B. Donoho of Smith County Tennessee (the receipt of which said several sums of money is acknowledged before the signing and sealing of these presents. The slaves will remain in my possession during my natural life and cohabitation with my wife. After wife's death or marriage a second time, the slaves go to the possession of daughter and son.

Date: 7 Aug 1841

Other Names: Sam'l Moore, J.S. Johnson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 502-503

Grantor: Peter Kinsey & Martha Adline Kinsey (his wife)

Grantee: Henry L. Bennett

Item: two certain Negro girl slaves for life **Mariah** aged about 17 and **Parthene** aged about 14

Consideration: \$1,546

Date: 19 Jun 1841 Recorded: 9 Sep 1841

Other Names: William McDonald, James W. Logan, W.M. Varnell, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 515

Grantor: Andrew C. Roberts

Grantee: David Roberts

Item: a certain Negro woman slave named **Catherine** aged about 41 years

Consideration: \$350 - If Andrew Roberts pays David Roberts the said sum with 10% interest, this instrument of writing to be void, otherwise remains in full force.

Date: 1 Oct 1841 Recorded: 8 Oct 1841

Other Names: James Roberts, Martin Moudy, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 547

Grantor: William M. Varnell

Grantee: Ezekiel Nance

Item: a certain Negro slave known and described as follows, to wit: a certain slave for life called **Sam** aged about 15 years

Consideration: \$200 - debt due before 5 Feb 1842 and deed becomes void; otherwise remains in full force

Date: 15 Dec 1841

Other Names: C.K. Witter, J.W. Anderson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 554

Grantor: Andrew C. Roberts

Grantee: David Roberts

Item: a certain Negro man slave named **Larkin** aged about 21 years and slave for life

Consideration: \$900

Date: 26 Feb 1841 (Interlined before signed) Recorded: 25 Dec 1841

Other Names: William Riley, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 564-565

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff & Public Administrator of the Estate of Henry Tarpley

Grantee: Hezekiah W. Smith

Item: **Henry** a Negro boy slave for life about 17 years old

Consideration: \$1,400 (½ payable twelve and the other ½ payable 18 months after the day of sale)

George W. Walker & Martha Walker, his wife (late Martha Tarpley) petitioned the July term of the Probate Court of Hempstead County 1841 for the sale of Negro slaves from the Estate of the late Henry Tarpley *deceased*. The said George W. being interested in the said estate as heir at law and rights of his wife Martha, a lineal descendant and heir of Henry Tarpley, *deceased* - because the court could not make an equal division of the slaves of said estate in kind among the said petitioners, other heirs and legal representatives of the estate. The Probate Court ordered the slaves sold to the highest and best bidder at the January term. The slave Henry was sold at the court house door in the town of Washington on the first day of the January term of the Probate Court of Hempstead A.D. 1842. (Interlined before signed).

Date: 3 Jan 1842 Recorded: 7 Jan 1842

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 566-567

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff & Public Administrator of the Estate of Henry Tarpley

Grantee: Martin Foster

Item: **Sarah** a Negro woman slave for life about 23 years old

Consideration: \$980 (½ payable twelve and the other ½ payable 18 months after the day of sale)

George W. Walker & Martha Walker, his wife (late Martha Tarpley) petitioned the July term of the Probate Court of Hempstead County 1841 for the sale of Negro slaves from the Estate of the late Henry Tarpley, *deceased*. The said George W. being interested in the said estate as heir at law and rights of his wife Martha, a lineal descendant and heir of Henry Tarpley, *deceased* - because the court could not make an equal division of the slaves of said estate in kind among the said petitioners, other heirs and legal representatives of the estate. The Probate Court ordered the slaves sold to the highest and best bidder at the January term. The slave Sarah was sold at the court house door in the town of Washington on the first day of the January term of the Probate Court of Hempstead A.D. 1842. (Interlined before signed).

Date: 3 Jan 1842 Recorded: 7 Jan 1842

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 572-574

Grantor: Jessie Clay

Grantee: Benjamin L. Brittin

Item: a certain Negro man slave for life aged about 30 years named **Jacob**

Consideration: \$371.60 - debt owed by Clay with 10% interest from 1 Jan 1842 until paid on or before 1 Feb 1842 shall be void, otherwise remain absolute and in full force and effect.

Date: 22 Jan 1842

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 583

Grantor: James Sampson - County of Sevier, State of Arkansas

Grantee: James W. Walker - County of Hempstead

Item: the following slaves **Mingo, Philida, Robert, Martha, Jane, Harrison, Washington & Lucinda**

Consideration: \$1,810 - The above named Walker is security for the said Sampson to the Real Estate Bank in Washington for \$400 and also a note to Cynthia E. Wilson for \$400 and interest thereon. The said Sampson is indebted to the firm of Walker and Cheatham whereof said Walker is a member. The sum of \$960 bearing interest at the rate of 10%. If, Sampson shall pay the said sums specified, then the above bill of sale to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Date: 18 Dec 1841

Other Names: J.S. Cannon, Justice of the Peace (Township of Saline, County of Hempstead), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 586-587

Grantor: Charles Wood of the 1st part

Grantee: Benjamin L. Brittin, Henry Cheatham and William Trimble (Trustees) of the 2nd part

Item: a certain Negro woman a slave for life named **Elisa**

Consideration: \$680

To have and hold to the said party of the 2nd part and the survivors of them, in trust for the use and benefit of Rebecca C. Phillips and her heirs, subject to the following conditions and stipulations, to wit: That the legal title to the said Negro woman shall remain to the party of the 2nd part; and possession, use and benefit of the services of the said Negro shall be with Rebecca Phillips. And, should it be the desire of Rebecca to have the trustees to convey the title of the Negro woman to any other person, the trustees will oblige to whomever Rebecca by written request desire; it being distinctly understood that if the Negro woman does not suit Rebecca and it should be her wish to have the slave sold, then the trustees are to make the necessary conveyance.

Date: 1 Feb 1842

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 587

Grantor: George Gray

Grantee: Samuel Gray

Item: Undivided interest of two Negro slaves of the following description to wit; **Stephen** a Negro man about 25 years old of copper colour about 5 feet 10 inches high. **Hannah** a Negro woman aged about 42 years light copper colour and 5 feet 4 inches high.

Consideration: \$1,000

Release all right unto said Negroes which I may have had as a legal heir of Lucy R. Gray, deceased.

Date: 1 Feb 1842 (Washington Township) Recorded: 2 Feb 1842

Other Names Joel D. Conway, R.H. Conway, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 588

Grantor: Samuel Gray

Grantee: George M. Gray

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Caroline** aged about 10 years

Consideration: \$500

Date: 1 Feb 1842 (Washington Township) Recorded: 2 Feb 1842

Other Names: Joel D. Conway, R.H. Conway, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 601-602

Grantor: Henry M. Robinson and Lucy Chiswell Robinson (his wife)

Grantee: Elisha E. Hundley and Winslow Robinson - County of Charlotte, State Virginia

Item: the following named slaves to wit: **Sally, Abram, Chester, Jacob, Patience, William Tyree, Nathan Claborn, Stephen, Hannah, Alinesia** and her three children, to wit: **Sally, Sam** and her infant child. *Other land and property described...*

Consideration: \$500

Expressly understood and provided that in case the said Henry Robinson shall on or before the 5 Feb 1847 pay to Elisah Hundley, Winslow Robinson and Thomas P. Richardson the sum of \$4,460.01 with 10% interest, this indenture to become void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 9 Feb 1842

Other Names: Phineas Nash, J.P. Collins (14 Feb 1842), John W. Paup, Acting Justice of the Peace, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 613-614

Grantor: Norborne T. Nelson - Springhill Township, Hempstead County

Grantee: John Bennett and Phillip Rainey

Item: grant, bargain and sell in mortgage to Bennett and Rainey the following slaves to wit., **Edmund** about 20 years old, one Negro woman with her five children to wit, **Nancy, Sally, Phinny, Stephen and Louisa**, one Negro man **Burnell** about 40 years old and his wife **Barry**, also one woman **Peggy** about 16 years old and **Lucy** about 8 the age of **Peggy** and one Negro man **Robert** about 40 years old and his wife **Fanny** also one other Negro woman **Betsy** about 18 years of age and her child. *A Tract of land (956 acres sold by Theodrick A. Bennett to Norborne Nelson)*

Consideration: Judgment against Nelson in the Hempstead Circuit Court, seven obligatory writings in the amount of \$979 each and dates of payments described... If said Norborne T. Nelson shall pay the said sums of money, then this obligation is to be null and void.

Date: 14 Mar 1842 Recorded: 17 Mar 1842

Other Names: Jno. Field, C. Caldwell, Simon T. Sander, Clerk

[Exact wording on ages of Peggy and Lucy]

Bill of Sale - pp. 653-654

Grantor: Abram (Abraham) Stuart

Grantee: William Trimble

Item: a certain yellow Negro girl slave named **Hannah** about 12 years of age

Consideration: \$300

For the use and benefit of Lunetta Trimble, wife of William Trimble. Witness that Abram Stuart for and in consideration of the above mentioned sum paid by Lunetta - grant, bargain and sell to William Trimble for the use and benefit of Lunetta.

Date: 24 Dec 1831 Recorded: 8 Jun 1842

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book E - 1839-1842 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 663-665

Grantor: William Y. Newborn(e) - County of Haywood, State of Tennessee

Grantee: Thomas H. Newborn(e) - County of Madison, State of Tennessee

Item: a certain Negro slave named **Isham** aged about 40 years old (which Negro slave is at this time hired out in the State of Arkansas, Hempstead County by Henry Cheatham until called for by me)

Consideration: \$500 - William Y. Newborn(e) is indebted to Nicholas F. Perkins administrator of David Jeffries, *deceased*. If Newborne fails to pay specified debts, then Thomas Newborne as trustee shall take possession of said Negro slave Isham after advertising in writing for 20 days in three or more public places in Haywood County impose the said slave to sell to the highest bidder for cash. *Payments and dates described...*

Date: 11 Jun 1842

Other Names: Littleton Joyner, Clerk (11 Jun 1842), Lyne S. Taliaferry, Presiding Justice (Haywood County), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (Hempstead County)

Bill of Sale - pp. 672-673

Grantor: James W. Finley - Administrator of Estate of Allen M. Oakley (*deceased*)

Grantee: Jesse Aycock

Item: a Negro slave named **Marina** and her two infant children, the property of the Estate of Allen M. Oakley

Consideration: \$950 - Finley on the 1st day of Feb 1842; administrator and in obedience to an order of the Probate Court of Hempstead County made at the January term 1842 did proceed and offer for sale at the Court House door in the town of Washington.

Date: 1 Jul 1842

Other Names: G.D. Royston, M.G. Cagle, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - pp. 677-678

Grantor: David G. Eller - County of Hempstead (late of the city of Little Rock)

Grantee: Eller Ringo Royston (son of Grandison D. Royston and who is my name sake and grandson of my wife)

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Jane** aged about 9 years, a slave for life. Hereby reserving the use and services and labor of said Negro girl during the natural life of my wife Catherine E. Eller.

Consideration: for the love and affection that I bear and the further consideration of \$1

Date: 5 Jun 1842 Recorded: 7 Jul 1842

Other Names: Thomas Hubbard, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 9

Grantor: Henry Duty

Grantee: Elias Caruth

Item: a certain Negro woman slave for life name **Lynda** aged about 742 years

Consideration: \$190 - debt owed by Duty to Caruth with 10% interest. Caruth to enjoy the services and labor until debt is repaid.

Date: 11 Aug 1842

Other Names: Jno. S. Johnson, Geo. Conway, S. T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 27-28

Grantor: David C. Paxton - County of Hemsptead, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Eliza W. Haire (Haile), daughter - County of Yallabusha, State of Mississippi

Item: a Negro girl named **Mary** aged about 11 years. *Other goods and chattels described...*

Consideration: the sum of \$1 and the nautral love and affection which I bear unto my daughter

Date: 19 Sep 1842

Other Names: A.W. Blevins, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 31-32

Grantor: John Shook

Grantee: William Yates

Item: the following described Negro slave to wit: **Benjamin** a boy about 15 years of age of dark or black complexion

Consideration: \$230.03 - debt owed to Yates who will keep said slave for 12 months. If said sum of money is paid before that time, obligation to be void.

Date: 7 Oct 1842

Other Names: George Conway, W.M. Stuart, Martin Moudy, J.P.

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 36-40

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: Moorehead Wright

Item: the following Negro slaves to wit: **Lot, George, Lawson, Ned, ?Asium, Bryant, Henry, Amos, Dave, Washington, Daniel, Nelson, George, Seval** and his wife **Jane; Polly, Rachael, Clara, Hannah, Betsy** and her children **Richard, Mariah, ?Libnon, Jupiter, Eretine; Rose** and her child: **Sam** and his wife **Sarah** and her five children to wit: **Jane, Clarissa, Celia, Anderson and Daniel.** *Other goods, chattels, tenaments and land described.*

At the October term of the Circuit Court - 14 Oct 1840. Robert Hamilton received a judgment against Thomas T. Williamson and Ephriam Mirick for the sum of \$8,200 with interest at the rate of 8% annually from 23 Apr 1839 until paid, together with the sums of \$391.07 for costs sustained in said suit. On 14 Apr 1842 an execution was issued from the Clerk of the Circuit Court to the Sheriff of Hempstead County commanding him that the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of Williamson and Mirick be seized. In September 1842, Sheriff Arnett did levy and seize the above mentioned property. Property advertised for sale at the residence of Gen'l. Thomas T. Williamson near the town of Washington.

Consideration: \$4,487 (Wright being the highest & last responsible bidder)

Date: 12 Aug 1843

Other Names: H.C. ?Arks, G.D. Royston, Geo. Conway, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 49-52

Grantor: Russell B. Hyde - County of Lamoille, State of Vermont

Grantee: Edward Cross - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: Negro slaves amounting to nine in number to wit. **Charles, Rachael, Peter, Ellick, Amy, Celia, Mills, Henry and Arch** (Negroes bought from Edon Benson)

Property jointly owned by Hyde and Cross. Hyde further transfers to Edward Cross all debts belonging to their business of farming or milling partnership, stock in the Real Estate Bank, farm, mill tracts, debts, credit and other goods.

Consideration: \$6,500

Date: 17 Oct 1842 Recorded: 20 Oct 1842 (Interlined before signing in the hand-writing of Edward Cross)

Other Names: D.T. Witter, A.W. Blevins, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 52-54

Grantor: Edward Cross - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Russell B. Hyde - Hyde Park in the State of Vermont

Item: The party of the 1st part grants, bargain, sell and convey to the party of the 2nd part, the following Negro slaves to wit. **Ellick** a man about 40, **Mills** about 35, **Henry** about 19, **Arch** about 15, **Amy** about 40, **Celia** about 40, **Wesley** a man about 33, **Hannah** a woman about 32 and **Rebecca** about 13 years. Property on Markham Street, Pulaski County and property on Ozan Creek in Hempstead County. Suit against Hyde pending in Circuit Court, Hempstead County instituted by Edmon Benson. *Other terms and payments described...*

Consideration: \$9,796

Date: 19 Oct 1842 Recorded: 20 Oct 1842

Other Names: D.T. Witter, A.W. Blevins, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 56-57

Grantor: Russell B. Hyde - County of Lamoille, State of Vermont

Grantee: Mary Francis, Henrietta Carroll & Nancy Eliza Cross (daughters of Edward Cross)

Item: a Negro child slave named **Susan** raised partly by the grandparents of Mary, Henrietta and Nancy from the time she was 2-weeks old when her mother **Eliza** died (Susan now about 4 years old)

Consideration: \$1 for the care, attention and kindness of Edward and Laura Francis Cross (his wife) and the regard I have for their daughters, now minors under the age of 21 years.

Date: 17 Oct 1842 Recorded: 20 Oct 1842 (Interlined before signing in the hand-writing of Edward Cross)

Other Names: D.T. Witter, A.W. Blevins, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 66-69

Grantor: Harrison E. Watson

Grantee: Joshua Morrison

Item: the following described Negro slaves for life to wit: **Moses**, a Negro man about 25, **West** a Negro boy about 20, **Kitty** a Negro woman about 30, **Henry** a Negro boy about 9, **Patsey** a Negro woman about 25 years, **Lish** a Negro girl about 18, **?Mus** a Negro girl about 10, **Charity** a Negro girl about 7, and **Patsey's** two Negro children to wit: **Albert** a boy about 2 years old and **John** about 1 year old. *Land and terms of payment described...*

Consideration: \$4,372.50

Date: Recorded: 31 Oct 1842 Recorded: 1 Nov 1842

Other Names: A.W. Blevins, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Indenture of Apprenticeship - William Mundel (Free Person of Color) to Benjamin Crooks- pp. 95-96

This Indenture Witnesseth: that **William Mundel** (free boy of color) by these presents doth voluntarily and of his own free will and accord put himself apprentice to **Benjamin Crooks** (of Steam Boat Hunter) to serve him from the day of the date here of for and during the full end and term of five years next ensuing during all of which term the apprentice his said Master faithfully shall serve his secrets keep, his lawful commands every where gladly obey. He shall do no damage to his Said Master nor see it done by others without telling or giving notice thereof to his said Master, he shall not waste his Said Masters goods nor lend them unlawfully to any with his own goods or the goods of others without license from his said Master. He shall neither buy or sell. He shall not absent himself day nor night from his said Masters service without leave, nor visit ale houses, taverns, play house, but in all things behave himself as a faithful apprentice ought to do during the Said term. And the said Master shall use the utmost of his endeavors to cause to be taught or instructed the said apprentice in the art or mystery of cooking and procure for him sufficient meat, drink, apparel, lodging and washing, fitting for an apprentice during the Said term of five years and give him within the Said term two good suits of clothing. And for the performance of all and singular the covenants and agreements aforesaid, the parties bind themselves each unto the other firmly by these presents. In witness whereof the said parties have set their hand hereunto.

Dated the 16th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two.

William (X-his mark) Mundel {seal}

B. Crooks {seal}

Sealed and delivered in presents of chambers Etter witness

Other Names: Thos. J. Pharis, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Recorded: 16 Dec 1842

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 113-114

Grantor: George F. Smith

Grantee: Hezekiah W. Smith

Item: the following described Negro slaves for life to wit: **Celia** a woman about 35, **John** a boy about 20, **Berry** a boy about 16, **Ellen** a girl about 10, **Peter** a boy about 8 years, **Harriett** a female child about 1, **Sarah** a woman about 34, **Omey** a girl about 10, **Seanah** a girl about 6 years, **Sophorona** a girl about 3 years and **Julia** an infant female about 3 months

Consideration: \$2,600

Date: 28 Nov 1842

Other Names: T.T. Collier, A.W. Blevins, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 117-118

Grantor: Benjamin F. Cockran & John D. James

Grantee: William Vaughan

Item: a certain Negro man, slave for life named **Isaac**

Consideration: \$400

Date: 27 Jan 1843 Recorded: 31 Jan 1843

Other Names: G.D. Royston, Jno. S. Johnson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 118-119

Grantor: ?Isael Foham - Choctaw Nation in Arkansas

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: the following named and described Negroes, slaves for life, to wit: **Delia** a Negro woman aged 35 years and her three children to wit: **Rosa** a Negro girl about 10 years, and **Lewis** a Negro boy about 4 years and **Jane** a Negro girl about 2 years and **Rhoda** a Negro woman aged about 17 years and her infant child **Jefferson** aged about 8 months

Consideration: \$2,000

Date: 20 Dec 1842

Other Names: L.M. Cray, Ellis Foham

Bill of Sale - p. 119

Grantor: Grandison D. Royston

Grantee: Enoch J. Smith

Item: the mentioned and described Negroes slaves for life; to wit: **Delia** and her three children **Rosa**, **Lewis** and **Jane**; and **Rhoda** and her infant child **Jefferson**

Consideration: \$1,200.00

Date: 31 Jan 1843

Other Names: John D. Trimble, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 126

Grantor: Charles T. Nelson

Grantee: Henry C. Boyd, Norborne T. Nelson and Ambrose K. Elliott

Item: the following described Negro slaves to wit: Thomas about 20, Edmond about 15, Nelson about 14, Stephen about 9 years and Sally about 6 years of age

Consideration: \$1,221.71

This mortgage is upon the express condition that whereas the said Charles T. Nelson, Henry C. Boyd, Norborne T. Nelson and Ambrose Elliott heretofore execute a note on bank payable to Winslow Robinson of Virginia for the above mentioned sum or thereabouts, and Charles T. Nelson was the principal in said note and the entire amount thereof due by him, the others merely signing at his request to secure payment.

Date: 21 Feb 1843

Other Names: Geo. Conway, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 128-130

Grantor: Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: Morehead Wright - Lafayette County, State of Arkansas

Obligation between Morehead Wright and ?Tizah Ann Williamson (wife of General Thomas T. Williamson) and the children and heirs at law of said ?Tizah Ann

Item: Twenty Negro slaves named as follows: Sam about 35 and his wife Sarah and her five children to wit: James 17, Clarissa 14, Celia 12, Anderson 6, and Daniel about 4; also Ron about 25, Jupiter about 14, Emilene 16, Ned ?30, ?Acum 25, Bryant 25, Henry about 22, Dave about 21, Lot about 20, ?Amer about 18, Laman about 25, George about 22 and Washington about 23. *Other land and property described...*

Consideration: \$4,487.00

Wright previous to this day was liable as the security of the said Thomas T. Williamson for upwards of \$22,000 and whereas Thomas Williamson has settled said liabilities by the sale and delivery of property, transfer of claims, debts, demands, bills, notes, bonds and grants upon and against other solvent persons for the purpose aforesaid as will more fully and at large appear by reference to the record of conveyance from James H. and J.C. Wilson and T.T. Williamson to said Wright recorded at Lafayette County and Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana.

Judgment in favor of Robert Hamilton against Thomas T. Williamson and Ephraim Mirick on 3 Oct 1842. Morehead Wright became the purchaser of said property

Date: 1 Mar 1843

Other Names: William Conway, Geo. Conway, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 143

Grantor: Francis W. Boyd - County of Mecklenburg, State of Virginia

Grantee: James H. Walker - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: the following named Negro slaves for life, viz: Clara, Jeffrey, Sally, Bias, Fanny, Kitty, Eliza, Violet and her three children Erasmus, Orange and Sandy; Edmund Westman, Maria and six children Tabby, Terrence, Simon, Martha Westman and John and George

Consideration: \$7,500

Date: 7 Apr 1843

Other Names: Charles K. Witter, Tyra Hill, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (the name George interlined before signing)

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 144-145

Grantor: James H. Walker

Grantee: Francis W. Boyd - County of Mecklenburg, State of Virginia

Item: the following named Negroes slaves for life viz: **Clara, Jeffrey, Sally, Bias, Fanny, Kathy (Kitty), Eliza, Violet** and three children **Erasmus, Orange and Sandy; Edmund Westman, Maria** and six children **Tabby, Lucinda, Lemon, Martha Westman and John and George.**

Consideration: \$15,000

The conditions of the above named [?]twenty-one Negro slaves, 920 acres of land and some stock and farming utensils for all which he has executed his notes of writings obligatory for the above mentioned sums payable in five annual and equal installments with interest at 6%. If said Walker shall pay said notes the above bill of sale to be null and void otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 7 Apr 1843

Other Names: Tyra Hill, Chas. K. Witter, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 171-174

Grantor: Joshua T. Walker

Grantee: James H. Walker and Robert W. Walker

Item: the following described Negro slave for life to wit, **Pleasant** about 40, ?**Tony** about 25, **Esop** about 23, **Murray** about 21, **Sam** about 16, **Brister** about 12, **Fanny** about 35 and her five children **Georgia Ann** about 12, ?**Member** about 10, **Nanny** about 8, **Tony** about 4 and **Tamar** about 1 year & 8 months also **Celey** about 20 and **Lauren** about 16

Consideration: The said Joshua T. Walker owes and is justly indebted to James H. Walker in the sum of \$2,100 (\$600 of said sum due to James H. on his own account and \$1,500 as executor of the last will and testament of James W. Walker, *deceased*. *Other conditions, payments, land and property described...*

Date: 15 May 1843

Other Names: John D. Trimble, Wm. D. Green, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 174-176

Grantor: William B. Arnold

Grantee: David Carrol Ross, John Stevenson & John A. Osteen (Trustees)

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Clamantine** a slave for life about 16 years old

Consideration: \$1 - the natural love and affection I have for my daughter Sarah E. Black (formerly Sarah E. Arnold)

Date: 6 May 1843

Subject to the following conditions and stipulations to wit: that the legal title to the said Negro girl **Clemantine** (and her increase) shall be and remain to the said party of the 2nd part and to the survivors of them, and that possession, use and benefit of the services of said Negro and her increase shall be and vest in the said Sarah E. Black and the heirs of her body forever. If trustees shall convey the title of said Negro to any other person a written request by Sarah Black is required.

Other Names: W. Bolls (Acting Justice of the Peace, Missouri Township, Hempstead County), William H. Black, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 195-198

Grantor: Joseph Trotter & James Pearsall - City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana

Grantee: Francis W. Boyd, State of Virginia

Item: the following named Negroes slaves for life to wit: **Harry, Clara, Jeffrey, Sally, Bias, Fanny, Kitty, Eliza, Violet** and her three children to wit: **Erasmus, Orange and Sandy, Edmund Westman, George, Maria** and her six children to wit: **Tabby, Lucinda, Lemon, Martha Westman and John**. *Other land, goods and chattel described* belonging to the farm and premises herein before described being the same lately occupied by James M. Pearsall in the County of Hempstead.

Consideration: \$15,000

Date: 5 May 1843

Other Names: Maria E. Pearsall (wife of James M. Pearsall), S.F. Trotter, Lewis R. Countin, Henry Peychund, Clerk Parish of the Court; Charles Maurian, Judge (New Orleans, State of Louisiana). Recorded: 5 May 1843

Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Recorded: 7 Jun 1843

Cetificate of Freedom (transcribed) - John Welch - pp. 210-211

State of Arkansas

County of Hemsptead

Whereas **John Welch** a free man of color did imigrate and settle in the County and State aforesaid and did enter into bond with Isaac C Tupper and Burkett D. Jett as securities for his good behavior as in such cases made and provided, and whereas the said securities have on this 29th day of June A.D. 1843 surrendered the said **John Welch** to me an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid and produced satisfactory evidence and good and sufficient credentials of the freedom of the said **John Welch**. Therefore I do hereby certify as in such cases made and provided that the said **John Welch** is a free man of color and is entitled to all and singular the rights benefits and protection of the laws of the land touching and regarding free persons of color. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand as such Justice on this the 29th June A.D. 1843

John D. Trimble J.P.

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (office in Washington)

Recorded: 29 Jun 1843

Bill of Sale - pp. 217-219

Grantor: Adeline Thompson, Gentleman of the 1st part

Grantee: Major L. Stines, Yeoman of the 2nd part and Haywood A. Hines, Farmer of the 3rd part
Item: Adeline is possessed of certain personal estate to wit: one Negro boy slave for life named **Jack** and a third part of a lot of slaves to wit: **?Litina, Abigail and Eliza** Negro women and **Ceazer** a Negro man, which lot of slaves is a part of the estate of Henry W. Thompson, *deceased*. That whereas a marriage is intended to be solemnized between the said parties of the 1st part and 3rd parts and the said Adeline. All of the above mentioned property with the consent of the said party of the 3rd part is to transfer to the party of the 2nd part in trust for him and me and benefit.

Consideration: \$1 (paid by Major L. Stines to Abilene Thompson)

Date: 6 Jul 1843 Recorded: 22 Jul 1843

Other Names: W.S. Day, A.B. High, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 234-235

Grantor: Rufus C. Berry

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston (Town of Washington)

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life named **Nancy** aged about 14

Consideration: \$600

Date: 10 Aug 1843

Other Names: D.T. Witter, C.K. Witter, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 235-236

Grantor: Alfred O. Stuart

Grantee: James W. Stuart

Item: the following Negroes, slaves for life; being part of those bequeath by James W. Walker to his mother Mary Jane to wit: **Danina and Tabby** with all their increase

Consideration: The love and natural affection I bear my son and further consideration of \$1

Date: ___ Jul 1843 [date left blank]

Other Names: J.W. Walker Jr., M.V. Cheatham, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 236-237

Grantor: Robert Carrington

Grantee: William B. Easley, State of Virginia

Item: the following described Negroes, slaves for life to wit: **Aaron, William, Bob, Primas, Charles, Essex, Jim, Charles, ?E__n, Randolph, Horace, Billy, Albert, Simon, Edmound, Sam, Abram, Olin, Sam, Lewis, Hercules, ?Norbine, Joe, Isaac, Hannah, Willy, Maria, Winna, Eve, Betsey, Mary, Alice, Nancy, Fanny, Phebe, Peggy, Nancy, ?Wuran, Peter, Sally, Cynthia and Caty Macking** (forty two in number)

Consideration: \$12, 239.71

That if I pay the above mentioned sum with interest before the first day of January shall be void, otherwise shall remain in full force. Hereby further agreed between Carrington and Easley that if said Carrington together with a certain Lewis B. Fort and Francis B. Whitforts who are also indebted to William Easley shall pay the sum of \$4,000 out of the proceeds of the present growing crop when sold...

Date: 12 Aug 1843

Other Names: G.D. Royston, A.W. Blevins, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Deed of Trust - pp. 267-271

Grantor: Hugh A. Blevins - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Grantee: Adam Huntsman & Fleming Willis (Trustees) - Madison County, Tennessee

Item: the following Negroes to wit. Israel about 21 and Clarissa about 11 years

Consideration: \$5,200.24

Hugh A. Blevins being compelled by the laws of Tennessee to give a refunding bond in the above mentioned sum before receiving Negro property, money, *etc.* coming to wife Sally (formerly Sally Coopender) upon which estate of John Coopender her former husband, William Hoard is administrator and for the purpose of securing all claims or demands that may be legally presented against said estate. And, for the further purpose of enabling me to get the security aforesaid and for the consideration of \$1 to me in hand paid by Huntsman and Willis. *Other conditions and limitations described...*

Considering that the two above named Negroes are wholly insufficient to cover so large a sum as the bond requires, I Hugh A. Blevins for the further security and for the consideration of \$1 paid by Huntsman and Willis do bargain, sell and convey to them the following Negroes which are now in the County of Hempstead and State of Arkansas to wit: Gilbert about 21, Ned about 17, Milly about 24, Sam about 13, Siller about 12 and Cloe about 4 years of age to be holder by them for the same purposes in the same way in trust as aforesaid and for the same length of time in order the more effectually save them harmless in regard to said refunding bond.

Date: 15 Sept 1843 Recorded: 24 Oct 1843 (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Other Names: James D. McClellan, Clerk of the County Court; Wyatt Mooring, Chairman & Presiding Justice of the County Court; Thomas W. Gammerrell, Register (Madison County, Tennessee); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas).

Deed of Trust - pp. 271-273

Grantor: William Hoard

Grantee: Hugh A. Blevins of the 2nd part & Fleming Willis of the 3rd part

Item: certain Negro property to wit: Charles a man about 60 years of age, one Negro fellow by the name Kinchin about 25 or 6 years of age and one boy by the name of Amos about 16 years of age.

The above named Negroes in legal possession of William Hoard. The equitable title to which negroes is ultimately coming to Sally Belvins (formerly Sally Coopender) and said Hugh Blevins being willing to relinquish any equity he may have in property for the purpose of securing for his wife Sally a support and maintenance for herself and children. William Hoard for the further sum of \$5 to me in had paid by Fleming Willis of the 3rd part. Sally Blevins is also entitled to about 39 acres of land in Madison County, Tennessee. *Two other unnamed Negro girls, property and terms described...*

Suit pending in Chancery Court of North Carolina for about \$1,200 against the legal representatives of Arthur Jones, *deceased*.

Date: 23 Aug 1843

Other Names: Calvin Coor; James D. McClellan, Clerk of the County Court; Thomas W. Gammerrell, Register; Wyatt Mooring, Chariman and Presiding Justice of the County Court (Madison County, Tennessee); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas).

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 353-355

Grantor: Thomas Hubbard (Barbara Hubbard, his wife)

Grantee: Joseph R.A. Thompkins, State of Tennessee and Nathan Hutcherson of the State of Virginia

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life to wit: **Rose** a Negro woman about 20 years and her three children: **Charles** aged about 4 years, **Jim** aged about 3 years and **John** aged about 18 months, **Sarah** a Negro woman about 20 years and her child **Mary Ann** about 3 years, and **Daniel** a Negro man about 45 years. *Other lands, tenements, goods and chattels described...*

Consideration: \$10,055.55

Date: 20 Nov 1843 Recorded: 28 Nov 1843

Other Names: E.J. Garland, Jno. W. Paup, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 368-372 & pp. 376-379

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: Benjamin L. Brittin

Item: a certain mulatto girl slave for life named **Hannah** aged about 12 years of the goods, chattels and property of Martin Moudy in Ozan Township.

Consideration: \$225 (Brittin being the highest and last bidder)

Judgment in favor of Benjamin L. Brittin against Martin Moudy. An execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court on 31 July 1843 and directed to the Sheriff of Hempstead County. Whereas Benjamin L. Brittin on 19 May 1843 at Circuit Court recovered against Martin Moudy for his debt the sum of \$452.73 with interest at 10%. Slave girl Hannah was seized and kept in the custody of the Sheriff from 31 July 1843 until Monday the 13 November, 1843

(1st day of the term of the Circuit Court). Having previously given 20 days notice of the time and place of sale by putting up advertisements at the courthouse in Washington and also in Ozan.

Date: 4 Dec 1843

Other Names: G.D. Royston; Burkett D. Jett; R.L. Phillips, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 387

Grantor: Fleetwood Herndon - County of Lafayette, Territory of Arkansas

Grantee: Thomas I. Pharis & Serenah A. Pharis (his wife)

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Caroline** about 26 years old and her daughter **Fanny** about 11 years old

Consideration: \$1,500

Date: 30 Mar 1836

Other Names: H. Williams, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 388

Grantor: Thos. I. Pharis

Grantee: Serenah A. Pharis

Item: **Caroline** and **Fanny**

Consideration: \$1,200

Thomas Herndon for the above mentioned sum, transferred to Mrs. Serenah Ann Pharis the bill of sale to above named Negroes to replace property which she had inherited from the estate of her mother in Louisiana.

Date: 19 Jul 1837 Recorded: 18 Dec 1843

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 421

Grantor: Ketturah Blevins

Grantee: Catherine Scott

Item: a Negro woman **Celia** aged about 30 years and her four children to wit: **George** about 13, **Julia** about 7, **Jerry** about 3 and **Sally** an infant child

Consideration: the natural love and affection that I have and bear towards my granddaughter Catherine Scott (late Catherine Armstrong) and \$5 to me in hand paid by Joseph Scott, husband of Catherine.

Date: 9 Feb 1844

Other Names: G.D. Royston, A.W. Blevins, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 422-423

Grantor: Joseph Scott

Grantee: Ketturah Blevins

Item: a certain Negro woman slave for life named **Celia** aged about 30 years and her infant child **Sally**

Consideration: the natural love and affection that I have and bear toward the grandmother of my wife Catherine to wit; Mrs. Ketturah Blevins and the further consideration of \$1.

The said Negro woman and child to be used and kept by Ketturah Blevins and their labors and services applied and bestowed upon her during her natural life, free of any charge whatsoever and after the death of Mrs. Blevins the said Negro woman, infant child together with any other increase are to revert to the possession and control of my wife Catherine.

Date: 9 Feb 1844

Other Names: G.D. Royston, A.W. Blevins, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 441-442

Grantor: John Welch [Free Person of Color] - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Grantee: Thomas Reed - Sevier County, Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro slave for life named **George** aged about 12 years

Consideration: \$142

Whereas I am indebted to the said Thomas Reed for the above mentioned sum by a certain writing obligatory due and payable on the first day of April next with 10% interest per annum. If said Welch shall well and truly pay Reed this sum, this obligation to be null and void otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 3 Mar 1844 Recorded: 5 Mar 1844

Other Names: Samuel Wheat, M. Summerow, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Emancipation (transcribed) James Brenen to Sabra - p. 474

Know all men by these presents, That I, James Brenen of the County of Hempstead in the State of Arkansas for and in consideration of the sum of Three hundred and fifty dollars, and also for and in consideration of the further ful services rendered by a negro woman named **Sabra**, a slave for life, purchased by me of John S Spence and Charles Durfee, Partners, trading and doing business under the name and style of Spence and Durfee, of the County and State aforesaid, and for divers other good considerations and causes, have emancipated and freed from servitude, and by these presents do emancipate, set free and discharge from slavery the said negro woman **Sabra**, slave as aforesaid, forever, and I do hereby discharge emancipate and set free the said **Sabra** forever, from me, my heirs, executors, administrators and all other persons whomsoever.

In testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Thirteenth day of December AD 1843

James Brenen

Test.

James P. Jett

Wm. H. Etter

Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Recorded: 15 May 1844

Bill of Sale - pp. 504-505

Grantor: Simon Baird (Sarah, his wife)

Grantee: Benjamin Brittin

Item: a Negro man **Edmund** about 19, a Negro woman **?Gabrile** about 21, a Negro man **Jack** about 46, Margaret a Negro woman about ?36, **Lear** a Negro girl about 17, **?Stimy** a Negro boy about 15, **Sarah** a Negro girl about 14, **Jardan** a Negro boy about 12, **Mary** a Negro girl about 9, **Jack** a Negro boy about 8, **?Clarinda** a Negro girl about 6, **Taylor** a Negro boy about 4 and **Hannah** a Negro girl about 2 years. *Other tracts and parcels of land described...*

Consideration: \$2,517.40

Provided nevertheless that if I the said Simon Baird, my heirs, Executors and administrators shall pay the said Benjamin Brittin the above sum with 10% interest upon the first day of June 1844 until paid or before the 1st day of January 1847, then this deed as well a certain bond given by me to Benjamin Brittin on 1 June 1844 shall both become null and void, otherwise remain in full force.

Date: 13 Jun 1844

Other Names: June Aycock, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 523-525

Grantor: John Shook

Grantee: James H. Walker & Joseph Stuart

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life, to wit, **Harry** a Negro man about 20 years and **Ben** a Negro boy about 15 years. *Other tracts and parcels of land described...*

Consideration: Whereas the said Walker and Stuart jointly and severally with myself on 29 July 1844 executed two writings obligatory each for the sum of \$594 & (1/2) cents, payable the 1 January 1846 and the other due and payable on 1 January 1847, bearing interest at 10% annum. If, Shook shall pay said sums when due, this deed is to be null and void, but if not punctually or any payment remain, this deed will remain.

Date: 3 Aug 1844

Other Names: A.W. Blevins, P.R. Gilmer, R.L. Phillips, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 534

Grantor: John W. Williams

Grantee: ?Alzena (Almina) Arnett

Item: a Negro woman named **Susannah** a slave for life about 30 years old and of a light or copper colour, together with the increase of said slave

Consideration: \$1 and the natural love and affection I bear unto my daughter

Date: 26 Aug 1844 Recorded: 28 Aug 1844

Other Names: Jno. ?Fulr, Geo. W. Green, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - pp. 538-540

Grantor: Elisha H. Rice - Madison County, Alabama

Grantee: Andrew J. Rice

Item: one Negro man named **Daniel** a slave about 24 years and his wife **Charity** about 22 and **Easter** a woman about 17 and her child ?**Calesania** about 18 months together with their increase

Consideration: \$1 (paid by Andrew Rice)

Andrew Rice is to hold and possess said slaves during his lifetime and the lifetime of his wife Sarah Elizabeth in trust, to apply the benefits and profits from the labor of said slaves for the maintenance, support and education of Stephen E. Rice and Elisha H. Rice the two children of Andrew and Sarah. *Other terms and conditions described...*

Date: 19 Dec 1842 Recorded: 5 Sep 1844 (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Other Names: Richard B. Pardon, Clerk of the County Court; John W. Oley Clerk of the County Court; John C. Thompson, Judge of the County Court (Madison County, Alabama), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 543-545

Grantor: Elijah Stuart

Grantee: Benjamin Brittin

Item: the said Negro slaves for life being named and known as follows; to wit: **Richard** a Negro man about 40, **Lucy** a Negro woman about 38, **Chesley** a Negro man about 20, **Dave** a Negro man about 20, **Moses** a Negro boy about 15, **Ben** a Negro boy about 13, **Danny** a Negro boy about 12, **Rhody** a Negro girl about 9 years, **?Blufon** a Negro boy about 6, **Nancy** a Negro girl about 3, **?Nealy (Mealey)** a Negro woman about 38, **?Wik (Win)** a Negro man about 24, **Ruben** a Negro boy about 17, **Mariah** a Negro woman about 30, **Daniel** a Negro boy about 4, **Sampson** a Negro boy about 4 and **James** a Negro boy about 2 years. *Other land and property described...*

Consideration: \$2,968.19

I the said Elijah Stuart am jointly indebted to the Benjamin L. Brittin in the above mentioned sum by a writing obligatory at the rate of 10% per annum until paid on or before 6 September 1849, the said obligatory writing shall be void, otherwise remain in full force.

Date: 6 Sep 1844

Other Names: G.D. Royston, Wm. W. Andrews, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 547-548

Grantor: Edward Cross

Grantee: Joel Homer Cross - Albany (Clinton County), Kentucky

Item: an equal and undivided interest in six slaves purchased by me for the said Joel H. Cross and myself from John Moren Magnum of Allegancy County in the State of Maryland; to wit: Negro man **Stephen** about 54 years and Negro woman **Kitty** about 42 years together with their four young female children namely **Teresa** about 7 years, **Martha** about 8 years, **Kitty** about 6 years and **Rosa** about 4 years

Consideration: \$750

Date: 10 Jan 1844 Recorded: 16 Sep 1844

Other Names: J. Garland (signed and sealed in the City of Washington D.C.), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Bill of Sale - pp. 565-566

Grantor: Harrison E. Watson of the 1st part

Grantee: George Hill, Henry Biscoe, Sandford C. Faulkner, John Drenner & Ebenezer Walters of the 2nd part

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: **Kitty** about 30, **Henry** about 16, **Patsy** about 25 and Patsy's two children, one named **Murk or Murry** about 12 and **Charity** about 8 years together with their increase, all in possession of the said party of the 1st part.

Other tracts of land and terms described....

Consideration: \$1 - Whereas Harrison Watson is indebted to said parties of the 2nd part as trustees of the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas (slaves to be sold at courthouse door).

Date: 7 Oct 1844 Recorded: 8 Oct 1844

Other Names: R.L. Phillips, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book F - 1842-1845 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 572-574

Grantor: Ephraim Mirick of the 1st part

Grantee: George Hill, Henry L. Biscoe, Sandford C. Faulkner, John Drenner & Ebenzer Walters of the 2nd part

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: **Nelson** about 28 and his wife **Jane** about 23 and their two children named **Eomuni** about 3 and **Charlotte** about 1 year. **Kale** about 28 and his wife **Melinda** about 30 and their four children named **?Lawson** about 8, **Milton** about 5, **Esther** about 4 and **Ellen** about 2 years. **Jack** about 36 and his wife **Peggy** about 30 and their child **?Coroelia** about 7 months. **Israel** about 40 and **Amy** about 30, **Reason** about 16 and **Keziah** about 28 years together with their increase all now in possession of the said party of the 1st part.

Other tracts of land & terms described...

Consideration: \$1 - Whereas, Ephraim Mirick is indebted to the parties of the 2nd part as Trustees of the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas (If Mirick fails to make payments, slaves to be sold at the courthouse door).

Date: 4 Oct 1844 Recorded: 14 Oct 1844

Other Names: E.P. Mittin, R.H. Kinsworth, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 581-582

Grantor: John W. Pettigrew - Sevier County, Arkansas

Grantee: Samuel Sloane - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Item: the following named Negro slaves to wit: **Darcas** a female Negro slave 10 years old, **Harriett** a female Negro slave 4 years, **Susan** a female Negro slave 1 year old

Consideration: \$900

Date: 12 Aug 1844 Recorded: 2 Nov 1844

Other Names: Joseph D. Ham, William Pettigrew, Ch. Pettigrew, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 591-592

Grantor: John Bland - County of Nottoway, State of Virginia of the 1st part

Grantee: William R. Bland of the 2nd part & Margaret E. Harrison of the 3rd part - County of Nottoway, State of Virginia

Item: six Negro slaves now in the Territory of Florida to wit: **Martha** and her children **Edmond**, **?Homan (Heman)**, **Ritton** and **William** and a mulatto girl **Eliza**

Consideration: the natural love and affection toward said Margaret E. Harrison and further consideration of \$10 to be paid to John Bland by William R. Bland.

William R. Bland will permit Margaret E. Harrison to hold possession of the before mentioned Negroes with the increase of the females for and during her natural life for her use and benefit to the support and maintenance of herself and children. *Other terms & conditions described...* (Margaret's husband, George W. Harrison)

Date: 4 Sep 1841 Recorded: 16 Sep 1841 (Nottoway County, Virginia)

Other Names: Samuel B. Jeter & Francis L. Manley, J.P.'s (Nottoway County, Virginia)

Bill of Sale - pp. 592-593

Grantor: Henry C. Washam - County of Dinwiddle, State of Virginia of the 1st part

Grantee: William R. Bland of the 2nd part & Margaret Emma Harrison of the 3rd part (wife of George W. Harrison) - County of Nottoway, State of Virginia

Item: one Negro woman named **Martha** and her child **William**

Consideration: the natural love and affection which he has for Margaret Emma Harrison and further consideration of \$50 paid by William Bland.

Bland permits said Negroes to remain with Margaret Emma for her sole use and benefit and at her death to remain with George (her husband) for the benefit of Margaret's children.

Date: 4 Feb 1843 Recorded: 2_(?) Mar 1843 (Nottoway County, Virginia)

Other Names: John Nelson, Joshua D. Spain, Wood Jones, F. Fitzgerald, County Clerk (Nottoway County, Virginia)

Last Will & Testament of Rebecca Bland (deceased) produced at Nottoway County Court - pp. 593-594

Date: 8 Aug 1840

Executor: William R. Bland (son)

Disposition of Estate: Rebecca Bland of the County of Nottoway being of sound mind and _____ memory do make and appoint this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows; to wit: 1. It is my will that all my just debts be paid. 2. It is my will and desire that all of my estate of whatever sort or description, except my land be equally divided between all my children. 3. It is my will that in the division of my estate that **Maria** be allowed to choose which of my children she prefers to belong to and that **Fredrick** be assigned to William R. Bland, **Jenny** to Margaret Emma Harrison, **Louisa** to Rebecca Cocke and **Lillian** to Sarah F. Bland and **Lucinda** to Virginia Bland. 4. It is my will and desire that the portion that falls to my daughter Margaret Emma Harrison be held by William R. Bland in special trust to pay the rents and profits to the sole use of my daughter Margaret Emma for her life and at her death; to her children. 5. It is my will and desire that my land be sold on such credit as may be thought best, and that there be a ?piano Forte purchased for Virginia Bland as a special legacy at the balance of the proceeds equally divided between my six youngest children to wit: Ann A. Cocke, Martha B. Williams, William R. Bland, Sarah F. Bland and Virginia Bland and Rebecca Cocke. I hereby appoint William R. Bland sole Executor of this my last will and testament.

Son: William R. Bland

Daughters: Ann A. Cocke, Martha B. Williams, Sarah F. Bland, Virginia Bland, Rebecca Cocke, Margaret Emma Harrison

Recorded: 7 Oct 1841

Other Names: F. Fitzgerald, Clerk

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Will produced in court by William R. Bland, Executor - pp. 594-595

Nottoway County, Virginia

Date: 2 Dec 1841

1. The Negro children mentioned in bill as the children of the woman **Genney (Jenny)**.
2. That the two children **Becky** and **Frank** mentioned in the bill as the children of the woman **Louisa** be valued and assigned to Thomas A. Cocke (Rebecca, his wife).
3. And the other Negroes bequeathed by the late Rebecca Bland be divided as the will directs:
 - a. That the man named **Fredrick** be valued and assigned to William R. Bland
 - b. The woman **Genny (Jenny)** be valued and assigned to William R. Bland (as trustee for Margaret E. Harrison)
 - c. The girl **Letty** to Sarah Bland
 - d. The girl **Lorana** to Virginia Bland
 - e. The woman **Mariah (Maryah)** to whom she may choose to belong
 - a. the man **Isham** to such one of the legatees under the will of the children as may elect to choose him, the rest giving them ____ thereto, otherwise the said Negro to be sold by the executor for a division.

Recorded: 2 Aug 1844

Other Names: John P. Duprey, J.P, Frances Fitzgerald, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 606-608

Grantor: John Williams

Grantee: Abraham Block & Augustus V. Block

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life to wit. Charles about 19, Solomon about 36 and Love a Negro woman about 20 years

Consideration: \$903.67

Date: 13 Jan 1845

Other Names: G.D. Royston, V. Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Deed of Gift - p. 17

Grantor: A.J. Rice

Grantee: Altamera Gibson (youngest daughter of James & Nancy Gibson)

Item: a certain Negro girl child named **Martha** aged about 8 months

Consideration: that I bear a more than ordinary friendship for James Gibson and family and for the further consideration of \$1

Date: 8 Feb 1845

Other Names: Robert Cross, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 23-24

Grantor: Martha J. Taylor

Grantee: Charles T. Nelson (Trustee for Henry Norborne Nelson)

Item: \$1,752

Consideration: the following slaves to wit: **Finah** about 40, **Lucy** about 23, **Stephen** about 10, **Richard** about 7, **Mary** about 5, **Wesley** about 2 and **Jim or James** an infant about 6 months.

An unsettled account between myself and Charles T. Nelson. I hereby acknowledge I have this day upon the order and request of said Charles T. Nelson grant, bargain and sold unto Henry Norborne Nelson the above mentioned Negroes. Charles T. Nelson shall take immediate possession of said slaves for the use and benefit of the said Henry Norborne Nelson until he shall attain the age of 21.

Date: 27 Feb 1845 Recorded: 28 Feb 1845

Other Names: Henry C. Boyd; William Nelson; John Field; John Trimble, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 26-28

Grantor: Richard F. Sullivan & Daniel A. Sullivan of the 1st part

Grantee: George Hill, Henry L. Biscoe, Sandford C. Faulkner, John ?Doenmn (Doherty) & Ebneser Walters of the 2nd part

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: **Archer** about 42, **Shelton** about ?19 and ?**Edag** a woman about 30 years together with their increase all now in possession of the parties of the 1st part. *Other lots of land and payments described...*

Consideration: \$1

Date: 27 Feb 1845 Recorded: 5 Mar 1845

Other Names: E. Brittin, R.L. Phillips, Acting J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 28-29

Grantor: John Branch Sanderfur

Grantee: Abraham Block & Augustus Block (trading and doing business as A. Block & Son)

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life to wit: **David** a man slave about 40, **Mary** a woman slave about 26, **Martha** a girl slave about 12, ?**Matilela** a girl slave about 8, **Pompy** a boy about 6 and **Fred** a boy, ?**Payes** about 4 years, a Negro boy **Bob** about 23

Consideration: \$846.22

Date: 5 Mar 1845

Other Names: John T. Trimble, David Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - 31-32

Grantor: Thomas Arnold

Grantee: Wingfield Jacobs & John Jacobs

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Andy or Andrew** a slave for life about 14 years old

Consideration: \$700

Date: 25 Feb 1845 Recorded: 19 May 1854

Other Names: Jacob B_nley, S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 42-43

Grantor: Benjamin L. Brittin of the 1st part

Grantee: Thomas Hubbard, William W. Andrews & Simon T. Sanders, Trustees of the 2nd part
Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life named **Hannah** aged about 15 years.

Consideration: \$400

To have and to hold the same to the party of the 2nd part and to the survivors of them in trust, use and benefit of Rebecca C. Phillips and her heirs. *Other conditions and stipulations described...*

Date: 26 Mar 1845 Recorded: 29 Mar 1845

Other Names: James P. Jett, B.F. Kinsworthy, John D. Trimble, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 45-46

Grantor: William R. Farley - Lawrence District, South Carolina

Grantee: William Wallis Sen. - Lawrence County, State of Alabama

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Amanda** about 13 years old.

Consideration: \$1 and the love and affection which I have for my sister.

In trust for the sole use and benefit of my sister, Mary T. Bradberry of Lowndes County, Mississippi during her natural life. The aforesaid Negro girl Amanda hereby conveyed in trust together with her increase is in no wise or in any manner to be subject to the control or management of Robert Bradberry, the husband of Mary.

Date: 9 Aug 1843

Other Names: ?Soanna B.?Dickeminer, Mary A. Farley, George Johnson, Acting J.P., Willy Galloway, Clerk (Lawrence County, Alabama - 19 Aug 1843), Thomas N. Martin, Clerk (Chickasaw County, Mississippi - 9 Apr 1844), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (Hempstead County, Arkansas - 31 Mar 1845)

Bill of Sale - pp. 46-47

Grantor: Ann Hervey

Grantee: Rheme P. Hughes

Item: **Phil** a slave

Consideration: Mary T. Bradberry (formerly Farley) and daughter of the said Ann witnesseth that the said Ann for and in consideration of the natural love and affection she bears to her daughter and further consideration of the sum of \$5 paid by Rheme P. Hughes. The said Hughes to hold the slave for the sole use, benefit, separate maintenance and support of Mary T. and her children, free from the control and domain of her husband.

Date: 28 Dec 1840

Other Names: Robert Armstrong, Andrew Armstrong, Willy Galloway, Clerk (Lawrence County, Alabama - 22 Feb 1841), William P. Puller, Clerk of Probate (Lowndes County, Mississippi -

24 May 1841), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas - 31 Mar 1845)

Indenture - pp. 49-50

Grantor: Andrew J. Rice of the 1st part

Grantee: Eli V. Collins of the 2nd part

Item: A.J. Rice has this day rented to the said E.V. Collins, the plantation that the said Rice now lives upon and hires him three Negro men viz. **Riley, Henry and Isaac** for the present year
Consideration: \$775 payable in corn at 37 ½ cents per bushel, the corn to be delivered in Washington, Hempstead County on or before 25 December next and the parties further agree that the party of the 2nd part take the aforesaid plantation for the year 1846 and 1847 at \$400 each year payable on the 25th day of December each year in corn at .50 cents per bushel to be delivered in Washington. The party of the 2nd part has sold to the party of the 1st part, a home and lot in the town of Washington - *other payments and terms described...*

Date: 8 Apr 1845

Other Names: James P. Jett, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 51-52

Grantor: John Shook

Grantee: James H. Walker & Joseph Stuart

Item: the following described slaves for life to wit: one Negro boy **Henry** about 20, one Negro boy **Ben** about 15. *Other tracts of land and stock described*

Consideration: \$1

Walker and Stuart have this day become security for John Shook in two promissory notes each dated Columbus (Arkansas), April 9th, 1845 and the first for \$200 due and payable to John W. Cocke on or before 1 Jan 1846 with 10% interest. The second promissory note for \$200 payable to Cocke or or before 1 Jan 1847. If Shook pays said notes this deed shall be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 9 Apr 1845

Other Names: B.H. Kinsworthy, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 68-72

Grantor: Robert Carrington & Joanna T. Carrington (his wife) of the 1st part

Grantee: Edward B. Fowlkes of the 2nd part and Samuel Baldwin & Joel W. Hannah (3rd part)

Item: the following Negro slaves to wit: ?Com_ay, George, Anthony, Clayborn, Adam, Phile, Jim, Tom, Bob, Matt, Ben, Carter, Harry, Isaac, Eliza, Diley, Charlott, ?Adilene, ?Biz, Indy, Little Judy, Edward, Silla, Martha, Polly, Kizzy, Caroline, Rosetta, Dick, Bill, ?Levez (Leveg), Daniel, Harriett, Peter, ?Jviren, Clarina, Lucy, Patty, Lavinca (?40 Negroes). *Other tracts of land and payments described...*

Consideration: \$10,785.34

The Carrington's debt to Edward Fowlkes. If paid on or before 1 Apr 1846 this deed to be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 21 Jan 1845

Other Names: Jno. W. Paup, J.P. (Springhill Township, Hempstead County, Arkansas), Jim Douglass, Clerk (Lafayette County, Arkansas - 24 Jan 1845), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (Hempstead County, Arkansas - 9 May 1845)

Bill of Sale - pp. 166-167

Grantor: Enoch J. Smith of the 1st part

Grantee: George Hill, Henry L. Briscoe, Sanford C. Faulkner, John Drennan and Ebenezer Walker of the 2nd part

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: **Andrew** about 35, **Delia** about 28, **Rose** about 13, **Louis** about 8, **Jane** about 4 and child **Elizabeth** about 6 months. Also, **Harry** about 36, **Eliza** about 30, **Maria** about 16, **William** about 12, **Taylor** about 6. Also, **Rhoda** about 22 and **Monroe** about 3 and Nancy about 35 years. Together with their increase, all now in possession of said party of the second part and their heirs forever.

Consideration: \$1

The said Enoch J. Smith is indebted to the parties of the 2nd part as trustees of the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas. If Enoch J. Smith fails to make payment at the time and manner aforesaid, the trustees shall be at liberty to take possession of said Negroes and sale at public vendue at the courthouse door; first giving public notice thereof by one advertisement at least 10 days previous in some newspaper printed in said State of Arkansas and to sell the same or such parts thereof as may be necessary to pay off the whole of said debt. *Other terms and conditions of payment described...*

Date: 13 Nov 1844 Recorded: 18 Nov 1845

Other Names: E. Brittin, D.J. Baldwin, John D. Trimble, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Sheriff's Sale - p. 188-189

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: the following named and described Negroes slaves for life as the property of George Conway to wit: **Zenas** a Negro man about 30 and his wife **Eliza** about 23 and their three children to wit: **Moses**, **James**, **David**. **Mariah** a Negro woman about 20 and her child **William**, and **Jim** a Negro man about 33 years

Consideration: \$3,000 (the highest and last bidder)

Judgment against George Conway (goods, chattles, land and tenements) in favor of Benjamin L. Brittin for debt in the sum of \$939.55 with 10% interest from 14 April 1841 until paid, together with the sum of \$30.27 for costs sustained in suit. Executed 1 September 1845 and sold at public auction for ready money at the courthouse door in the town of Washington on Monday, 17 November 1845, it being the 1st day of the Circuit Court, previously given 20 days notice of the time and place of sale by advertisements put up according to the law in each township in Hempstead County, Arkansas and also at the courthouse door.

Date: 1 Sep 1845 Recorded: 28 Nov 1845

Other Names: Jabye S. Smith, J.W. Cocke, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 201-203

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff

Grantee: Martin G. Cagle

Item: Negro girl slave for life about 16 years known by the name **Fanney**

Consideration: \$10 (Martin Cagle, the highest and last bidder)

Judgment in favor of Martin G. Cagle against Thomas J. Pharis in an action of debt for the sum of \$320 with interest at 10%, along with \$8.25 for costs sustained in the suit. The sheriff levied an execution upon above mentioned slave on the 29th day of June 1842, the property of Thomas J. Pharis. Having previously given 20 days notice of the time and place of said sale by advertisement put up according to law. Sold by the sheriff on the first day of the November term of the Hempstead Circuit Court 1843 at the Courthouse door in the Town of Washington.

Date: 6 Apr 1842 Recorded: 28 Nov 1845

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 204-207

Grantor: Henry Cheatham - 1st part

Grantee: Greenville K. Cheatham & Martha B. Cheatham (wife of Henry) and minor children of Henry and Martha Cheatham: Sarah Branch Cheatham & Henry Clay Cheatham - 2nd part

Item: The following described property to wit: Seventeen slaves for life named and described as follows to wit: **Henry** commonly called Harry by trade a blacksmith about 22, **William** a yellow boy about 18, **Thomas** commonly called Tom about 18, **Wilson** a yellow man about 24, **Joseph** commonly called Joe of dark complexion about 18, **Thomas** commonly called Tom a yellow boy about 13, **George** a boy dark complexion about 9, **Dilsey** a yellow woman about 40 and her child **William** about 3, **Dinah** a dark coloured woman about 25 years of age and her two children **Isabel** about 11 and **Dinah** about 3 years old. **Amanda** a yellow woman about 19 and her child **Lucy** about 2 years old. **Sophia** a dark girl about 15, **Hannah** a dark girl about 8, and **Harriett** a dark girl about 6. One undivided half of the Steam Boat Frontier now running or lying by on the Red River, tracts of land in the town of Galveston in the Republic of Texas and *other property described...*

Consideration: The natural love and affection which he bears for his wife and children and further consideration of \$10 paid by Greenville Cheatham

It is expressly agreed and understood by and between the parties aforesaid that all and singular real and personal property remain liable to the payment of the following debts of Henry Cheatham. A debt of about \$2,400 due the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas at the branch in Washington, Arkansas in which Henry Cheatham and Greenville K. Cheatham are principles and William Moss and others are securities. And also a debt to the same bank of \$1,000 in which Henry Cheatham and John W. Williams are principles and Elijah Ferguson and Hugh A. Blevins are their securities.

Date: 19 Sep 1845 Recorded: 8 Dec 1845

Other Names: George Conway, R.L. Phillips, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 218-220

Grantor: Henry C. Boyd - 1st part

Grantee: Waller Massie-2nd part & Thos. Massie (M.D.)-3rd part - Nelson County, Virginia

Item: the following slaves to wit: **Edward** about 36 and his wife **Maria** about 35 and their children: **Drew** about 11, **Tom** about 10, **Jonas** about 8 and **Elizabeth** about 1 year

Consideration: \$1 (paid by Waller Massie)

The said Henry C. Boyd being justly indebted to Thos. Massie (M.D.) in the sum of \$2,500. If Boyd shall fail to pay off and discharge said debt with interest, cost and charges of collection, then the said _____ Massie on being required to do so by _____ Massie shall give (30) days public notice of the time and place of sale of said slaves and the future increase of the females at public auction to the highest bidder for cash and from the proceeds, pay Massie. It is expressly understood and stipulated between the parties that Henry C. Boyd shall retain possession of slaves until such time as Thos. Massie (M.D.) demand payment of the debt and he shall be permitted by Waller Massie without hindrance or molestation to remove slaves to the County of Hempstead Arkansas, there to remain in the possession of Boyd and to labor for his use and benefit.

Date: 19 Sep 1845 Recorded: 27 Dec 1845

Other Names: W.O. Goode, Wm. A. Massie, Spotswood Garland, Clerk; Seaton H. Loving, J.P. (Nelson County, Virginia -25 Sep 1845); Simon T. Sander, Clerk of the Circuit Clerk (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Bill of Sale - p. 220

Grantor: John Field

Grantee: John D. Trimble

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life to wit: **David** a boy about 18 years of age about five feet eight or nine inches high, rather sparse made of dark copper color and very large mouth, with thick lips. Also **Mary** a girl about 20 years of age, about five feet eight or nine inches high of mulatto color well formed and very likely.

Consideration: \$450

Provided that if the said John Field shall well and truly pay unto John D. Trimble a certain note under seal for the above mentioned sum on the first day of January 1847, bearing 10% interest then this conveyance shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. It is agreed between the parties that said John Field shall keep possession of the Negro girl Mary and have her services free of charge, he furnishing food and clothing and paying all charges that may accrue on account of said Negro girl at his expense. And it is further agreed that Trimble shall have possession and services of the Negro boy David until John Field or some other person for him shall pay Trimble the above sum, the services of which said Negro boy is to be in full discharge of all interest on said debt from this day until the first day of January 1847, the said Trimble furnishing food and clothing and paying all charges that may accrue. *Other conditions and terms described...*

Date: 29 Dec 1845 Recorded: 1 Jan 1846

Other Names: May Jane (wife of John Field), Robert Phillips, Acting J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - pp. 221-222

Grantor: James H. Walker

Grantee: James Henry Cheatham (son of my daughter Eliza)

Item: a certain mulatto girl slave named **Anna Bella**

Consideration: the love and natural affection I bear to my grandson

Date: 25 Dec 1845 Recorded: 1 Jan 1846

Other Names: R.A. Brunson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 222-223

Grantor: Grandison D. Royston

Grantee: Allen W. Blevins

Item: the following named Negroes, slaves for life to wit: **Nat** a Negro man about 32, **Letty** a Negro woman about 27, **Charles** a Negro man about 47, **Gilbert** a Negro man about 22, **Ned** a man about 18, **Israel** a man about 21, **Amos** a boy about 15, **Sam** a boy about 13, **Teller** a girl about 15, **Milly** a woman about 30 and her three children: **Clarissa** a girl about 11, **Claw** a girl about 7 and **Mary** a girl about 3 years

Consideration: \$1,500

Grandison D. Royston have this day rented, leased and dismissed unto Allen W. Blevins for the term of two years, a tract and parcel of land (*described*) formerly owned by Hugh A. Blevins and upon which he now resides, known as the Ozan tract and also hired to Blevins the above named negroes. Allen W. Blevins agrees and promises to pay Royston for the hire of said Negroes and the rest of said land the sum of \$1,500. \$700 of this sum to be paid 1 Jan. 1847 and the residue 1 Jan. 1848. To feed and clothe said slaves well, pay their taxes and their physician's bill and to cultivate the farm in a farmer like manner & to deliver said farm and slaves to him or his heirs at expiration of two years from the date hereof in good order and condition.

Date: 1 Jan 1846 Recorded: 2 Jan 1846

Other Names: John W. Cocke, R.L. Phillips, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 226-227

Grantor: John L. Eads

Grantee: Mabry T. Cox - County of Wright, State of Missouri

Item: a certain Negro man slave for life named **Aaron Bonner** aged about 45 years

Consideration: \$230

Date: 3 Jan 1846 Recorded: 12 Jan 1846

Other Names: Allen W. Blevins, Elias Caruther, John D. Trimble, Acting J.P. (8 Jan 1846); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 227-228

Grantor: James M. Trammel

Grantee: Nelson Jenkins

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Jack**, sound in body and mind, about 14 years old

Consideration: \$130

Date: 17 Sep ?1845 Recorded: 14 Jan 1846

Other Names: Wm. H. Dodson, J.P.; Simon T. Sander, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 230

Grantor: Daniel E. Williams & Waitzell Williams (his wife)

Grantee: **John Welsh** - (A free man of color)

Item: the following described tract or parcel of land or town lot, to wit: Lot numbered two (2) in Block numbered twenty-one (21) as described on the town plat of the Town of Washington in the said county and state in which the said town lot lies and is situated.

Consideration: \$50

Date: 13 Jan 1846 Recorded: 19 Jan 1846

Other Names: E. Nance; R.L. Phillips, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 234

Grantor: Jabez S. Smith, Administrator for Norborne T. Nelson, *deceased*

Grantee: Jefferson Draper

Item: a certain Negro man **David**, a slave for life

Consideration: \$735

Date: 1 Jan 1846 Recorded: 16 Feb 1846

Other Names: Simon T Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 251-252

Grantor: **Gad Bradley & Ann** (his wife) - 1st part - [*Gad, a free person of color & Ann a freedwoman*]

Grantee: Abraham Block and Augustus Block - late partners under the name, firm and style of A. Block & son

Item: the following described lots or parcels of ground lying, being and situated in the Town of Washington, County of Hempstead and State of Arkansas as described as follows to wit: Lots one and four in Block number twenty-two (22) and lots (1) and (2) then (3) and (4) in Block numbered forty-five (45). The same property conveyed to him by James W. Finley having the date 8 August 1840.

Consideration: \$439.26

Whereas Gad Bradley in and by a certain writing obligatory under his hand and seal is in debt for the above sum which is due on or before 25 Mar 1847 with interest of 10%. Provided that if the said Gad Bradley shall pay unto Abraham and Augustus Block the aforesaid debt on day and time mentioned with interest, this obligation shall be void. [*Deed difficult to read*]

Date: 25 Mar 1846

Other Names: David Block, Virginius Block, John D. Trimble, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

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Bill of Sale - pp. 259-260

Grantor: John W. Williams

Grantee: Henry S. Biscoe, Sanford C. Faulkner, George Hill, John Drennen & Ebenzer Walters - Trustees of the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas

Item: the following described Negroes, slaves for life to *wit*: **Isham** a man about 38, **Betty** his wife about 36, **Angeline** their daughter about 10, **Elizabeth** their daughter aged 8 years; **Orange** a boy about 6, **Menday** a boy 4 years, **Henry** a boy about 2 years, **Julian** a woman about 36, **Reney** a girl about 11, **?Sehhlia (Lehlia)** a girl about 8, **Emily** a girl about 6, **Lane** a woman about 26, **Solomon** a man about 40, **Milly** a woman about 50, **Charles** a man about 19 and **Love** a woman about 26

Consideration: \$14,856.93 (including principal & interest)

John Williams is indebted to said trustees and if he shall pay debt on the first day of April 1847 and each year thereafter until April 1851 (ten equal annual installments). *Other terms and conditions described...*

Date: 20 Apr 1846 Recorded: 13 Apr 1846

Other Names: J. Branch Sandefur, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 261

Grantor: John W. Paup

Grantee: Simon T. Sanders

Item: a certain Negro man, a slave for life named **Frank** about 16 years of age

Consideration: \$850

To have and to hold the said Negro man Frank to the party of the 2nd part in trust for the use and benefit of Elizabeth Jones (wife of Isaac N. Jones) and her heirs forever. Subject to the following conditions and stipulations to *wit*: That the legal title shall remain to the party of the 2nd part and that possession, use and benefit of the services of said Negro man shall rest in the said Elizabeth Jones and for the use, benefit and support of the children of Elizabeth Jones, male and female forever.

Date: 17 Apr 1846 Recorded: 10 Apr 1846

Other Names: Robert Phillips, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 269-271

Grantor: William Arnett, Sheriff

Grantee: Benjamin L. Brittin (the last & highest bidder)

Item: the following Negroes, slaves for life to wit: **Richard** a man about 40, **Lucy** a woman about 38, **Chesley** a man about 20, **Dave** a man about 20, **Moses** a boy about 15, **Ben** a boy about 13, **Drury** a boy about 12, **Rhoda** a girl about 9, **Bluford** a boy about 6, **Nancy** a girl about 3, **Mealy** a woman about 38, **Will** a man about 24, **Reuben** a boy about 17, **Maria** a woman about 30, **Daniel** a boy about 4, **Sampson** a boy about 4 and **James** a boy about 2 years.

Other land, livestock and property described...

Consideration: \$300

A certain action taken on 4 Dec 1845 at the November term of the Circuit Court, County of Hempstead; Levin W. Cooper (plaintiff) and Elijah Stuart (defendant). The said Levin W. Cooper by the consideration and judgment of said court recovered against Elijah Stuart as well the sum of \$165.55 for his debt with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the 29th day of June 1844 until paid as also his costs which were taxed to the sum of \$7.64 on which judgment by order of the court, a writ of execution was issued on 2 February 1846 directed to the sheriff to levy. On the 13th April 1846, the sheriff seized the property of Elijah Stuart. Whereas, the said lands, Negroes and other property were advertised for sale by putting up three notices in writing in three of the most public places in each township in the county and one at the courthouse door at least 20 days previous to sale. Whereby, the sheriff on the 18th day of May 1846 exposed said property for sale (cash) to the highest bidder at the courthouse door between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. It being the first day of the May term 1846.

Date: 21 May 1846 Recorded: 22 May 1886

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - p. 283

Grantor: William Brison Willis

Grantee: Elizabeth Ann Houston (wife of James Houston)

Item: a certain Negro girl aged about 7 and slave for life name **Betsy**, alias **Elisabeth** and her bodily increase

Consideration: the natural love and affection which I bear unto my daughter and for the better performance in marriage and the increase of her portion and also in the consideration of the sum of \$1 (paid by Elizabeth Ann Houston)

Date: 6 Jul 1846 Recorded: 7 Jul 1846

Other Names: H. Block, Peter C. Willis, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Indenture of Apprenticeship (transcribed) - Eberline, William, Moses, John, Frank, Jeremina, Green, George, and Washington Madding (Free Persons of Color) to Jacob Madding - pp. 284-285

This Indenture made the 6th day of July AD 1846 by and between Daniel T Witter presiding Judge of the County Court of Hempstead County in the State of Arkansas of the one part and Jacob Madding of the County of Hempstead in the State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that whereas at the January Term of the Hempstead County Court Arkansas in the year AD 1846 it being made known and it appearing to the said Court that Eberline Madding William Madding Moses Madding John Madding Frank Madding Jeremina Madding Green Madding George Madding and Washington Madding are free Negroes and free mulattoes over the age of seven and under twenty one years of age and by law ought to be bound apprentices according to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided including the clause in such Indenture of Apprenticeship requiring the said apprentices to be schooled as required in the case of free white apprentices Therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Daniel T Witter as presiding Judge of the Hempstead County Court in the State of Arkansas does hereby put place and bind out the said Eberline Madding William Madding Moses Madding John Madding Frank Madding Jeremina Madding George Madding and Washington Madding as Apprentices to the said Jacob Madding the males to learn the art of farming and the females the business of Housewifery from the day of the date hereof until the males shall respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years and the females at the age eighteen years all which time or term the said Apprentices shall well and faithfully serve the said Jacob Madding keep his secrets and every where at all times readily obey his lawful commands. They shall do no damage to the said Jacob Madding nor wilfully suffer any to be done by others They shall not waste the goods or property of the said Jacob Madding nor lend them to any one. They shall not play at cards dice or any unlawful game They shall not contract matrimony during the said term They shall not haunt or frequent Taverns or Tipling Houses They shall not absent themselves from the service of the said Jacob Madding but in all things and at all times they shall carry and behave themselves as good and faithfull apprentices ought during the whole time or term aforesaid And the said Jacob Madding on his part doth hereby covenant promise and agree to treat and instruct the said apprentices or cause them to be taught and instructed, the said Eberline Madding and Jeremina Madding the said females the business of Housewifery and the said William Madding Moses Madding John Madding Frank Madding Green Madding George Madding and Washington Madding the said males the art of farming and to well and faithfully find and provide for the said apprentices Sufficient meat drink clothing lodging and other necessities fit and convenient for such apprentices during the term aforesaid. In Testimony whereof the parties have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals at Washington the date hereunto first above written The name **Frank Madding** in line 10 and 23 in page one interlined before signing

DT Witter {seal}

Jacob (X-his mark) Madding {seal}

Witnesses

ST Sanders

Hugh White

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Recorded: 7 Jul 1846

Bill of Sale - pp. 290-291

Grantor: Edward Herndon - County of Sumpter, State of Alabama

Grantee: Richard B. Purdon

Item: the following Negro slaves to wit: **Jackson** a man of black complexion aged about 22 years, **Kitty** of black complexion aged about 12 years and her child named **George** of yellow complexion aged about 8 months

Consideration: for and in consideration of the good will and affection I bear to Julia A. Purdon (wife of James A.L. Purdon) of Madison County, Alabama. That said Negroes are given for the use and benefit of said Julia to aid in her support and maintenance and upon this further trust that said Richard shall permit Julia at all times to keep possession of slaves and receive to her sole and separate all the proceeds and profits of their labour and to use and employ them as she may think best. And, upon further trust that said slaves are intended for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of Julia and that they in any manner whatsoever be liable or subject to the debts or contracts of her husband and upon death of Julia said slaves and their increase shall descend and be equally divided amongst her children and should she die leaving no child, then and in that case said slaves to be the property of her said husband.

Date: 27 Oct 1845 Recorded: 15 Jul 1846

Other Names: John W. Otey, Notary Public; William Fleming; Richard Purdon (27 Oct 1845-Huntsville, Alabama); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Bill of Sale - pp. 293-294

Grantor: David H. Bledscoe - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Grantee: Harry F. Samuel - City of Little Rock, Arkansas

Item: the following Negroes slaves for life to wit. **Dick** a boy about 18, **Henry** a boy about 15, **Davy** a boy about 10, **Mariah** a woman about 18 and her suckling child, also one Negro girl named **Ann** about 16 years

Consideration: \$7,000 (and the further sum of \$1 paid by Henry F. Samuel)

David H. Bledscoe by two certain writings obligatory stands bound into Henry F. Samuel payable six months after date and the other nine months after date, each for the sum of \$3,500. The said David H. Bledscoe at Washington in the County of Hempstead is now engaged in retailing and selling off at his store house conveying to Harry F. Samuel all stock of goods in his possession, horses and household furnishings.

Date: 11 Nov 1845 Recorded: 22 Jul 1846

Other Names: Robert Clements, F.C. Samuel, Richard Purdon, John C. Bledscoe, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

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Bill of Sale - pp. 308

Grantor: James S. Cowling

Grantee: James H. Walker & Matthew V. Cheatham

Item: the following Negro slaves for life viz. **Wilson** and **Hannah** his wife; **Ellen, Jane, Mariah, George, Ned and Nathan** their children

Consideration: \$1659.15

The condition of the above bill of sale is such that Cowling is justly indebted to James Walker and Matthew Cheatham trading under the name and firm of Walker and Cheatham. The above bill of sale to be entirely void and of no effect if sums described are met; otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 15 Aug 1846 Recorded: 19 Aug 1846

Other Names: P.R. Booker, RH Wiseman, Simon T. Sanders

Deed of Gift - pp. 321-322

Grantor: Mildred W. Lewis - (now a resident of Louisville, Kentucky)

Grantee: **Alsa B. High** - (Trustee) & **John D. Lewis** (son & lineal heir of Mildred W. Lewis)

Item: All the right, title, interest and estate of the said Mildred W. Lewis and the following Negro slaves for life namely **David** alias **Dave** a boy about 17 years old of a black complexion, **Alexander** alias **Alick** a boy about 10 years old of a black complexion, **Chelson** a boy about 4 years old of a black complexion, **Willis** a boy about 2 years old of a dark complexion and **Lucinda** a girl about 12 years old of a dark complexion

Consideration: the natural love and affection which Mildred W. Lewis bear unto the said John D. Lewis for and in consideration of the sum of \$10 paid by John D. Lewis.

The said **Alsa B. High** and his heirs are to hold in express trust for the uses herein expressed: Out of the value of their hire, after deducting taxes, expenses of clothing and medicine and medical attendance and the expenses of the young Negroes under eight years old, and such as may become an expense through age, disease or other decrepitude, the said trustee is to afford to the said *cestui que* trust John D. Lewis a decent and comfortable support for and during his natural life and to account to him for the full annual hire or value of the use of said slaves over and above such support during his natural life. After the death of John D. Lewis, the slaves shall go to his heirs and in default of any heirs of his body, then the same shall go to **Lucretia Collamay** of Virginia, **Mildred H. Conelley** alias **Conley** of North Carolina, **Saluda R. Britt** and **Mary Baker Miller** of Hempstead County and **Elizabeth Dupree High** of Hempstead County and **Sarah Jordan** of Ouachita County, Arkansas who are my daughters and lineal descendants.

Date: 10 Oct 1846 Recorded: 20 Oct 1846

Other Names: Childred W. Lewis, J.P., John D. Trimble, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - p. 323

Grantor: Mildred W. Lewis - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Grantee: **Mary Baker Miller** - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Lavinia**, a slave for life of a black complexion about 25 years old

Consideration: the natural love and affection which I bear unto my daughter and for the further consideration of \$10 paid by **Mary Baker Miller**.

Date: 10 Oct 1846 Recorded: 20 Oct 1846

Other Names: John D. Trimble, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 338 - 339

Grantor: George Dooley - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Grantee: William C. McKinney - County of Bowie, State of Texas

Item: the following described personal property, viz: **Doctor** a man about 23 years old, **Bob** about 18, **Bill** about 15, **Roxean** a girl about 17, **Martha** about 11, **Caroline** about 9 and **Dinah** upward of 50, also six head of horses and about 30 head of cattle.

Consideration: \$5,000

Whereas George Dooley in and by a certain writing obligatory bearing the date 22 Nov 1842, stands indebted to William C. McKinney for the above mentioned sum payable twelve months after the date thereof. If the said George Dooley shall well and truly pay unto William C. McKinney the aforesaid debt, the said writing obligatory shall become void.

Date: 16 Nov 1846

Other Names: John Field, R.H. Finn, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 344-346

Grantor: John L. Eads - (the guardian of Henry Jackson Bonner, a minor)

Grantee: Bernard F. Hempstead

Item: the following described property to wit: Negro man slave for life named **Daniel** about 46, **Aaron** a man about 49, **Rose** a woman about 24, **Charles** a boy about 7, **James** a boy about 5, **John** about boy about 4, **Maria** a girl about 2, **Ann** a girl child about 1 year, **Bob** about 30, **Mary** a girl about 19. *Other livestock and personal property described...*

Consideration: \$5,398

The said John L. Eads as the guardian of said Henry Jackson Bonner, as well as in his private capacity is indebted to Chesley B. Inge of the County of Franklin, State of Missouri with first payment due 17 Nov 1847 with interest at 6% annum. If the said John L. Eads shall well and truly pay to Chesley B. Inge, the said several sums of money, this deed of trust to be null and void, but if he fails to pay, this deed of trust to remain in full force. *Terms of payments described...*

Date: 17 Nov 1846

Other Names: F.Y.C. Caswell, Thomas Hubbard, R.L. Phillips, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 373-375

Grantor: Chesley B. Inge

Grantee: Bernard F. Hempstead

Item: the following described personal property to wit: Negro woman slave for life named **?Henry (Hury)** aged about 65 and one Negro woman named **Judy** aged about 70 years. *Other parcels of lands and personal property described...being the same land conveyed to John L. Eads as the guardian of Henry Jackson Bonner by Chesley B. Inge by two separate deeds of conveyance bearing the date ___ Nov 1846 and also slaves [date left blank].*

Consideration: \$5,395

Whereas, John L. Eads as guardian for Henry Jackson Bonner, as well as in his private capacity is indebted to Chesley B. Inge of the County of Franklin, State of Missouri for the above mentioned sum due on 17 Nov 1847 with interest (in three payments). Whereas John Eads on 17 Nov 1846 executed a deed of trust to Bernard F. Hempstead as trustee, conveying certain property therein specified to said Bernard F. Hempstead to secure payment of said sum of money. If the said John L. Eads, guardian for Henry Jackson Bonner should fail to pay the full amount this deed to remain in full force.

Date: 1 Jan 1847 Recorded: 5 Jan 1847

Other Names: Wm. W. Andrews, T.H.W. Maddux, Thomas Hubbard (attorney), R.L. Phillips, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 384-385

Grantor: William H. Etter

Grantee: William Bladen & Samuel D. McGraw

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Myra** about 25 years of age.

Consideration: \$400

This obligation is intended to be a mortgage whereas the said W.H. Etter has executed two writings of obligatory to Bladen and McGraw, the first due 1 Nov 1847 and the second due 1 Nov 1848. If said Etter shall pay the above mentioned sum, then the above obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Date: 18 Jan 18847

Other Names: Geo. Conway, John Allen, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 394

Grantor: Ezekiel Nance

Grantee: Joanna J. Carrington

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life, to wit: **Burril** a Negro boy aged about 7 years and **Molly** a Negro girl about 5 or 6 years

Consideration: \$550

Date: 3 Feb 1847

Other Names: G.D. Royston, W. Vaughn, Simon T. Sanders

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Affidavit - George Ann Bledsoe (widow of David H. Bledsoe) - p. 399

Item: David H. Bledsoe has bequeathed unto me George Ann Bledsoe (wife) the following Negroes, viz: **Henry** a man about 16, **Maria** a woman about 19 and her child **Rosetta**, one Negro boy named **Davey** about 10

Terms: All of which said Negroes I claim in my own right, independent of said will and whereas my said husband David H. Bledsoe, lately deceased by his will has bequeathed. [*Other property described....*] I George Ann Bledsoe widow of the said David H. Bledsoe do hereby renounce the provisions of said will and do hereby release and quit claim unto Hiram H. Bledsoe, Thomas C. Bledsoe, Joseph J. Bledsoe, James Crisman & Clara Crisman (late Clara Bledsoe), Henry F. Samuel & Mary A. Samuel (late Mary A. Bledsoe, his wife), John S. Bledsoe, Vistor P. Bledsoe, Howard & Harriett (Howard his wife, late Harriett Bledsoe), and Check & Mary Agnes (his wife, late Bledsoe), and William Bledsoe & Sarah Ann Dryden, Susan Dryden, Mary Agnes Dryden, Matilda P. Dryden, Victoria Dryden; all the heirs at law of said David H. Bledsoe, *deceased*. All the right, title and interest which I have in hand to the above described Negroes and personal property under my virtue of the bequest in said will contained. Reserving however unto myself all the right title and interest I have in and to the said above named and described Negroes, in my own right and independent and exclusive of the provisions of said will.

Date: 1 Feb 1847 Recorded: 6 Feb 1847

Other Names: Sam'l G. Smith, C.P. Barber (Dallas County, Arkansas), Maurice Smith, Acting J.P. (Dallas County, Arkansas), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk (Hempstead County, Arkansas).

Bill of Sale - p. 402

Grantor: George Whitmore & Jonathan Whitmore

Grantee: Michael Summerrow

Item: Two Negro boys slaves for life, to wit: one Negro boy a mulatto about 12 or 13 years of age, lower lip inclined to hang down named **Robin**, the other darker complexion than the mulatto about 8 or 10 years old, lip thick, the sight of the right eye lost named **Daniel**

Consideration: \$350

Date: 2 Feb 1847

Other Names: John W. Chew, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 404

Grantor: James Smith

Grantee: Ezekial Nance

Item: a certain Negro man named **Sandy** about 20 years of age and a certain Negro girl about 12 years of age named **Emily**

Consideration: \$1,100

Date: 8 Feb 1847 Recorded: 15 Feb 1847

Other Names: G.W. Shover, J.S. Johnson, John D. Trimble, Presiding Judge of County Court; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 431-432

Grantor: Thomas Christian & Sarah B. Christian - Town of Washington, County of Hempstead

Grantee: Morgan Johnson - Town of Washington, County of Hempstead

Item: **Dick** a Negro man aged about 25 and **Jane** a Negro girl about 15 years old

Consideration: \$950

Date: 10 Mar 1847 Recorded: 17 Mar 1847

Other Names: Lewis Allen, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 433-435

Grantor: James Smith, Senior

Grantee: Lucinda Carter

Item: the following goods, chattels and negro slaves to wit: My Negro man Nelson, woman Lucy, girl Puss, girl Alvira, boy Isham, boy Frank, girl Charity and infant boy child about six months old, son of Lucy (eight in number). All my stock of hogs and cattle, three head of horses now on my farm, farm utensils of every description and all my household and kitchen furniture. *Other tracts and parcels of land described...*

Consideration: \$1,200 (paid by Lucinda Carter) and the natural love and affection which I have for my daughter

Date: 22 Mar 1847

Other Names: J.W. Williams, James Anderson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 435

Grantor: James Smith, Senior

Grantee: James W. Smith, Junior

Item: My Negro woman named Tenah and her son Sam now in the possession of my son James together with all the property I have heretofore given him

Consideration: \$1.00 and the natural love and affection which I bear unto my son.

Date: 22 Mar 1847

Other Names: J.W. Williams, James Anderson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 441

Grantor: Joel W. Hannah (Agent and attorney for George C. Hannah) - County of Charlotte, State of Virginia

Grantee: John D. Trimble - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life named Cely

Consideration: \$350

Date: 19 Apr 1847

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 446

Grantor: John N. Read - Administor *de bonis non* with the will annexed of Thomas Read, deceased of Sevier County, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Andrew J. Armstrong (highest and last bidder)

Item: a Negro man Armstead (\$750), Negro woman named Gilly wife of Armstead (\$545), their children: Boston a boy (\$275), Phebe a girl (\$260) and Jimmy a boy (\$240)

Consideration: \$2075 (the whole bid for 5 slaves)

In pursuance of an order of the probate court in and for the County of Sevier in the State of Arkansas made at the April term of the Probate Court of the County of Sevier in the year 1846, did on 20 May 1846 at the late residence of Thomas Read proceed to sell at public auction the slaves of and real estate belonging to the estate of Thomas Read, having previously given (20) days notice of the time and place of sale by advertisement put up in ten of the most public places in Sevier County. Giving a particular description of the slaves to be sold, the place and terms of sale, as required in said order.

Date: 27 Apr 1847

Other Names: Wm. W. Andrews, J. N. Holman

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 446-447

Grantor: Andrew J. Armstrong - County of Sevier, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: the within mentioned and described Negroes, slaves for life to wit: **Armstead** a Negro man and his wife **Gilly** a Negro woman and their three children: **Boston, Phebe & Jimmy**

Consideration: \$2,500

Date: 27 Apr 1847 Recorded: 29 Apr 1847

Other Names: Wm. W. Andrew, J.N. Holman, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 456

Grantor: George Gray

Grantee: Robert A. Brunson

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life named **Caroline**

Consideration: \$___ [a black ink blot covering the amount of sale - ?-\$600]

Date: 10 May 1847 Recorded: 29 May 1847

Other Names: M.V. Cheatham, J.H. Walker, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 460

Grantor: David R. Cockraham

Grantee: E. Nance

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Agnes** about 28 years of age

Consideration: \$500

Date: 9 Feb 1847

Other Names: Wesley Norwood, J. Custer, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 461

Grantor: George Dooley

Grantee: William H. Dillard - County of Lafayette, State of Arkansas

Item: a Negro girl **Royan** aged about 16

Consideration: \$330

Provided that if George Dooley shall well and truly pay unto the said Dillard the amount of a certain promissory note payable on 1 May 1848 for the above sum with interest of 10% per annum, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect and provided that until default by said Dooley, he can keep possession of said Negro girl.

Date: 8 Feb 1847 Recorded: 10 Jun 1847

Other Names: John T. Allan, John D. Trimble, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Schedule of Property (transcribed) - Phillip T. Graves and Louisa Stevens Graves - pp. 464-465

Schedule of the property derived by Phillip T. Graves of the County of Hempstead in the State of Arkansas by his Marriage to and with Louisa Stevens: of the County and State aforesaid, the same being made out for the purpose of securing to the said Louisa Graves wife of the said Philip T. Graves, the property which came by her, on her Marriage with the said Phillip T. Graves by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, entitled an "Act for the preservation and protection of the rights and property of Married Women," approved on the Eighth day of December in the year of Christ, one Thousand Eight hundred and forty six to wit: one Negro boy Slave for life named **Michael** son of Negro woman **Nance** which came by the said Louisa. **Catherine** a Negro Girl Slave for life daughter of the said Negro woman **Nance**, the former aged about five years, and the latter aged about three years. Given under our hand and seal this 1st day of June A.D. 1847.

Philip T. Graves {seal}

Louisa Graves {seal}

Other Names: Basil Brashear, J.P.; John P. Stephens, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk
Recorded: 21 Jun 1847

Bill of Sale - pp. 466-467

Grantor: Benjamin L. Brittin

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: the following mentioned and described Negro slaves for life to wit: **Bill** a man then about 26, **Alsey** a woman about 45, **Adam** a boy then aged about 10, **Robinson** a boy then aged about 8 and **James** a boy then aged about 6

Consideration: \$550

Whereas I Benjamin L. Brittin of the County of Hempstead in the State of Arkansas together with Grandison D. Royston at a Sheriff Sale made by Isaac N. Jackson, Sheriff for Sevier County, Arkansas. Purchased at the court house door in the town of Paraclyfta (Sevier County) on Monday, 13 Oct 1845 the above named slaves sold by said sheriff by virtue of sundry executions against Robert Hamilton.

Date: 1 Jul 1847 Recorded: 2 Jul 1847

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 467-469

Grantor: Simon T. Sanders

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston (the highest bidder)

Item: Slave **Emeline** & her infant child **Abraham**, her only increase

Consideration: \$400

Whereas at the April term of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Pulaski in the State of Arkansas in Chancery setting 1847; cause pending in said court wherein Catherine E. Eller was complainant and unknown heir at law of David G. Eller, *deceased*. It was ordered and decreed among other things that the above mentioned slaves be sold at public auction at the court house door in the Town of Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas upon (10) days previous notice being given of the time, place and term of sale by publication in the Washington Telegraph and that Simon T. Sanders be appointed commissioner to sell said slaves.

Date: 23 Jun 1847 Recorded: 3 Jul 1847

Other Names: John Trimble, Acting J.P. (Ozan Township, Hempstead County); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Affidavit (transcribed) - Solomon Drew - A Free Man of Colour - p. 477

The State of Mississippi

DeSota County

Personally appeared before me David J. White an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County of DeSota Garret Ford & Thos. E. Bolling who being dully sworn according to Law made oath & say that one **Soloman Drew** was while living in this State known recognized received & treated as a free man of colour and that said Negro man (as represented to us) has lost his freedom papers since he left this State County in his removal to the State of Arkansas and County of Hempstead And the said Affiants therefore further say upon oath that the said **Soloman Drew** is and has been always considered a free man of color since we have known him in this State. And the said Garret Ford affiant as aforesaid on his part and for himself further says upon oath that he contracted with and hired the Labour of the said **Soloman Drew** for the space of time of twenty four years and in the said Contract and hiring he recognized and had every cause to believe the said Negro man to be a free man of Colour, and further says that he believes him the said Negro man to be strictly honest & correct and the said Garret Ford further says that he has a wife & children in his possession of the said Negro man **Soloman Drew**

Garret Ford

TE Bolling

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 4th day of May A.D. 1847

David J. White, J.P. {seal}

Other Names: George Foote, Clerk of the Probate Court, Inole Pryor, Judge of the Probate (5 May 1847 - County of DeSota, State of Mississippi); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, State of Arkansas)

Recorded: 5 Jul 1847 - Hempstead County, Arkansas

Disposition of Property - Brunetta W. McLain Kinsworthy to Sarahan E. McLain - pp. 478-480

Last Will & Testament of William McLain made and published 10 Jun 1836 and recorded 28 Aug 1846 in Hempstead County, State of Arkansas.

Disposition: Brunetta W. McLain, his wife was constituted the sole heir until his son Lewis McLain should arrive at the age of 21 years and then property to be divided into three parts. (1) 1/3 of which was to be given to his daughter Sarahan E. McLain when she should become of age. (2) 1/3 to his son Lewis P. McLain when he should become of age and (3) 1/3 to his wife Brunetta W. McLain during her life time and at her death the same to be equally divided between his son and daughter. Lewis P. McLain after the death of his father, departed this life before he arrived at the age of 21 and whereas Sarahan E. McLain having married Matthew Coulter and being anxious on her part as well as on the account of her husband to settle and receive her full proportion of the whole of said estate from her mother, Brunetta W. Kinsworthy, late widow and wife of William McLain and now wife of Ezekial Kinsworthy of the County of Hemsptead and wheras Ezekial and Brunetta Kinsworthy being anxious to settle and close up all matters specified in said will & testament. The said Brunetta Kinsworthy (late McLain) with consent of her husband has given up and surrendered unto Matthew and Sarahan Coulter the following mentioned and described Negroes slaves for life to wit: **Mariah** a woman slave about 45, **George** a boy about 14, **Hannah** a girl about 12 and **?Hard** a boy about 6 years of the value of \$2,000 and a further \$100 paid by Brunetta W. Kinsworthy; all the right, title, claim and interest in the following described Negroes: **Becca** a woman about 22, **Mary** a girl about 8, **Harriett** a girl about 4 & **Charley** a boy about 2 years together with all the land demised or possessed by William McLain at the time of his death. Matthew and Sarahan Coulter release Brunetta Kinsworthy from any and all responsibility to us on account of the said last will & testament of William McLain, she having fully paid and satisfied us for the full portion or share of the estate of William McLain, *deceased* and the share belonging to Lewis P. McLain.

Other Names: James McKey, Daniel L. Holman, James Boren, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Recorded: 15 Jul 1847

Deed of Gift - p. 482

Grantor: Marley Pryor Walthall (mother) - Cumberland County, State of Kentucky

Grantee: Rhody Pryor King

Item: Negro girl of a dark colour named **Sarah** aged about 8 years

Consideration: the love and affection and regard I feel and entertain for my daughter

Whereas on the evening of 26 Dec 1840 intermarried with my daughter Rhody Pryor Walthall and they leave this day for the State of Arkansas. I give said servant girl and her increase if any during the life of the said Rody Pryor King and at her death, I give said servant girl and her increase if any to the legal children of the body of said Rhody.

Date: 14 Jan 1841 Recorded: 20 Jul 1847 - Hemsptead County, Arkansas

Other Names: Milton King, Clerk of the County Court; James Haggard, Presiding J.P. (31 May 1847-Cumberland County, Kentucky); Simon T. Sanders (Clerk of the Circuit Court, Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Deed Book G - 1838-1847 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 491-492

Grantor: Daniel McCollum - Knox County, State of Tennessee

Grantee: John D. Trimble - Hempstead County, State of Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro girl named **Matilda** aged about 8 years of copper complexion

Consideration: \$250

Date: 14 Aug 1847 Recorded: 14 Aug 1847

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders (Town of Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Bill of Sale - p. 513

Grantor: Jeremiah Pate

Grantee: George W. Green

Item: the following named and described Negroes slaves for life to wit: **John** a man aged 48, **Amy** a woman 38 and her child named **Elijah** aged 18 months, **Charlotte** a woman 28 and her two children **Jack** aged 4 and **Ralph** 18 months, **Hetta** a woman 19 and her child **Maria** aged 15 months, **Viney** a woman 19 and her child **Handy** aged 3 months

Consideration: \$4,000

Provided that if said Jeremiah Pate shall well and truly pay unto George W. Green the above sum of money, then this conveyance to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Date: 15 Sep 1847

Other Names: Lewis Allen, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Deed of Gift - pp. 9-10

Grantor: Loderick Matthews - County of Union, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Missouri E. Cochran - County of Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: One Negro girl slave named Milly of yellow complexion about 6 years of age

Consideration: \$1 and the natural love and affection which I bear for my daughter.

Date: 9 Mar 1847 Recorded: 29 Sep 1847 (Hempstead County)

Other Names: C.A. Luckie, R.A. Burton, Benjamin R. Matthews, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Union County, Arkansas); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Emancipation (transcribed) - Martin Johnson to Harriett Francis Johnson - pp. 18-19

The State of Arkansas

County of Hempstead

I **Martin Johnson** a free man of color of the County of Hempstead in the State of Arkansas have this day and by these Presents do manumit and set free and forever discharge from slavery, service and servitude my Daughter **Harriet Francis Johnson** a mulatto Girl aged about sixteen years to be free from me and all others from this time forward forever

In Witness whereof I the said **Martin Johnson** have hereto set my hand & seal. This 31st day of August A.D. 1847

Martin Johnson {seal}

Witnesses

John J. Turrentine

H Williams

Other Names: L.B. Collins, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Recorded: 15 Oct 1847

Bill of Sale - pp. 40-41

Grantor: George M. Gray & Margaret Gray (his wife)

Grantee: Ezekial Nance

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: **Ann** a woman about the age of 35 and her six children as follows: **Matilda** a girl about 15, **Sam** a boy about 11, **Charlotte** a girl about 9, **Mina** a girl about 7, **Fellis** a girl about 4, **Josephine** a girl about 2

Consideration: \$2,200

Date: 8 Dec 1847 Recorded: 9 Dec 1847

Other Names: R.L. Phillips, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 49-50

Grantor: James Nance - Hempstead County, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Alijah Davis - Pike County, State of Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Sylvia** slave for life about the age of 17

Consideration: \$600

Date: 1 Jan 1848 Recorded: 3 Jan 1848

Other Names: David Block, B.L. Wright, John D. Trimble, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 52-53

Grantor: John L. Bouldin

Grantee: A. Block & Son

Item: the following described Negro to wit: **Napoleon** aged about 21 years slave for life

Consideration: \$800

Date: 4 Jan 1848

Other Names: T.H.W. Maddux, Jno. D. Trimble, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 54-55

Grantor: Ezekial Nance

Grantee: George Hill

Item: the following Negroes to wit: **Milly** a woman about 17 and **Sarah** her child, a girl about 6 months

Consideration: \$700

Date: 3 Jan 1848 Recorded: 8 Jan 1848

Other Names: David Block, D.R. Cochran, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 55-56

Grantor: Ezekial Nance

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Stephen** aged about 11 years

Consideration: \$460

Date: 8 Jan 1848

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 57-58

Grantor: Mary Baker Miller

Grantee: Samuel Moore

Item: Negro woman **Lavinia** and her child **Joanna**, the former about 28 years and the latter about 18 months, the said Negro woman is of a dark complexion and her said child of a yellowish or copper complexion.

I do also sell and transfer to said Samuel Moore the hire of said slave Lavinia commencing from the date of the hiring thereof about two weeks ago more or less, and hereby fully acquit and discharge Mr. E.H. Morgan from the same, but the said Samuel Moore is authorized to use my name and to stand in my place in the collection of the said hire.

Consideration: \$700

Date: 18 Jan 1848

Other Names: John Field, P.W. Hale, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 80-81

Grantor: Malcom Mann

Grantee: Ezekial Nance

Item: a certain Negro man named Ned aged about 22

Consideration: \$700

Date: 29 Jan 1848

Other Names: Jno. D. Trimble, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 89

Grantor: Jeremiah Pate

Grantee: Edward F. Pate

Item: a certain Negro boy slave for life *[no name provided]*

Consideration: \$400

Date: 8 Jan 1848 Recorded: 5 Feb 1848

Other Names: David Block, A. Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 90

Grantor: Jeremiah Pate

Grantee: Rebecca Ellen Pate

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life, Caroline

Consideration: \$300

Date: 8 Jan 1848 Recorded: 5 Feb 1848

Other Names: David Block, A. Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 93-94

Grantor: Jeremiah Pate

Grantee: Luamy Weightsell Nance (wife of Ezekial Nance)

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life Emily

Consideration: \$300

Date: 8 Jan 1848 Recorded: 11 Feb 1848

Other Names: David Block, A. Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 96-97

Grantor: Jeremiah Pate

Grantee: Susannah Agnes Arnett (wife of John C. Arnett)

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life Mary

Consideration: \$300

Date: 8 Jan 1848 Recorded: 12 Feb 1848

Other Names: David Block, A. Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 97-99

Grantor: Huluah Clark (Administrator for Benjamin Clark, *deceased*)

Grantee: William Yates

Item: the following described property viz: Negro woman Sally aged about 30 and her child a girl named Sucky aged about 9 months and also another girl named Mary about 12 years and I also sell unto him the said Yates, three head of horses and one wagon.

Consideration: \$2,000 (plus \$10)

Shall make a true and perfect inventory of all goods and chattels, rights and credits of the deceased which have or may come to the hands, possession or knowledge of me and shall exhibit in the Office of the Clerk of the Court of Probate within sixty days from the date of the obligation.

Date: 14 Jan 1848

Other Names: Jas. Gibson, Henry Brewer, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 103-109

Grantor: Ezekial Nance, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: Daniel T. Witter for Carlos S. Noyes

Item: the following named Negro slaves: **Ellic, Peter, Charles, Mills, Henry, Arch, Rachael, Amy and Celia**, nine in number; five head of mules, three yoke of oxen and parcels of land situated in to the Town of Fulton, County of Hemsptead (*land descriptions given*).

Consideration:

On 18 July 1842, Edmon Benson filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court his declaration against Russell B. Hyde & also an affidavit stating that the said Russell B. Hyde was justly indebted to him in the sum of \$7,215 and that the said Hyde was a non-resident of the State of Arkansas. The Circuit Court, County of Hempstead on 21 July 1846 ordered an execution issued against the property of Russell B. Hyde. Also, on 10 Sep 1846, an execution was issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court directing the Sheriff, Ezekial Nance of said county, commanding the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of Russel B. Hyde above mentioned and described. On the 2nd day of the November term 1846, said execution afterwards came to the hands of the Sheriff of Hemsptead and was afterwards returned by him that he had sold the goods and chattels and other personal property and that the whole amount for which the same was sold was \$404. In the August term of the Circuit Court, Daniel T. Witter purchased the land for Carlos S. Noyes (16 Aug 1847).

Date: 10 Sep 1846

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

[No mention of who actually purchased slaves]

Schedule of Property - Elizabeth D. Jackson - p. 126

Date: 25 Mar 1848

This day personally appeared before me B.F. Williams an acting and commissioned Justice of the Peace for Hempstead County came John C. Jackson & Elizabeth D. Jackson (wife of John C. Jackson) and made oath that Andrew Caldwell by his last will, bequest to the said Elizabeth D. Jackson a certian Negro woman named **Lavina** aged about 19 years of dark complexion. Elizabeth D. Jackson swore that the slave was her own property and that the same did not come from her husband.

Other Names: B.F. Williams, Acting J.P., James D. Caldwell, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 134-136

Grantor: Samuel H. Thomas - Marshall County, State of Mississippi

Grantee: George Hannah & Robert E. Boulden - Charlotte County, State of Virginia

Item: the following slaves to wit: a Negro woman about 25 named **Umara**, a girl about 12 named **Retta (Ritta)**, a boy about 14 named **Douglass**, a boy about 4 years old named **George**

Consideration: \$1,800

Whereas, I Samuel H. Thomas am indebted to George Hannah and Robert E. Boulden in the sum of \$3,333.33 & one-third cents for and on account of my portion of a debt of \$10,000 done by them jointly with myself to James Bruce, *deceased* and which they have paid off.

Date: 25 Feb 1843 Recorded: 19 Apr 1848 (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Other Names: Gordentian Waite, Clerk and T.M. Yancy, Judge of the Probate Court (Marshall County, Mississippi - 10 Apr 1844); Wm. P. Reaves, Registrar; John W. Fulton, Clerk; Jared L. Edwards (Shelby County, Tennessee - 21 Mar 1848); Simon T. Sanders, Clerk of the Circuit Court (Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Bill of Sale - pp. 138-139

Grantor: Jonathan Black

Grantee: James H. Black

Item: the following described Negro slaves for life namely **George, Jacob and Margaret** being part of certain slaves bequeathed to us by our father William Black, *deceased*.

Consideration: \$1

Date: 14 Jan 1848

Other Names: Nathan D. Smith, W.V. King, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 139

Grantor: James H. Black

Grantee: Jonathan Black

Item: the following described Negro slaves for life namely **Sarah, Nick, Tillman and Alabam** being part of certain slaves bequeathed to us by our father William Black, *deceased*.

Consideration: \$1

Date: 14 Jan 1848

Other Names: W.V. King, N.D. Smith, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 159

Grantor: Thomas H. Arnold

Grantee: Abraham Block & David Block

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Young**, a slave for life of a dark colour and about 14 years old

Consideration: \$400

Thomas Arnold being indebted to Abraham and David Block agrees to repay the above sum before 8 Jul 1849 with 10 % interest; in which case this deed of mortgage shall be null and void, otherwise to be held in full force and virtue.

Date: 8 Jul 1848

Other Names: E. Nance, John Field, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 134-136

Grantor: Samuel H. Thomas - Marshall County, State of Mississippi

Grantee: George Hannah & Robert E. Boulden - Charlotte County, State of Virginia

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Consideration: \$1

Date: 14 Jan 1848

Other Names: W.V. King, N.D. Smith, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 159

Grantor: Thomas H. Arnold

Grantee: Abraham Block & David Block

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Young**, a slave for life of a dark colour and about 14 years old

Consideration: \$400

Thomas Arnold being indebted to Abraham and David Block agrees to repay the above sum before 8 Jul 1849 with 10 % interest; in which case this deed of mortgage shall be null and void, otherwise to be held in full force and virtue.

Date: 8 Jul 1848

Other Names: E. Nance, John Field, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 167-168

Grantor: George Teel - St. Augustine, State of Texas [San Augustine]

Grantee: Jeremiah Pate - County Hempstead, State of Arkansas

Item: Five certain Negro slaves for life of the following names to wit: woman **Mary** aged 23 years, boy **Richard** 8 years, boy **Amos** 6, girl **Emeline** 4, boy **Jim** 2 years

Consideration: \$1,500

Date: 31 Jul 1848

Other Names: A. Block, David Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 168-169

Grantor: Jeremiah Pate

Grantee: John C. Arnett

Item: a certain Negro boy slave for life named **Richard**

Consideration: \$400

Date: 3 Aug 1848

Other Names: David Block, E.V. Collins, Simon T. Sanders

Sheriff's Sale - pp. 179-180

Grantor: Ezekial Nance - Sheriff of Hempstead County, Arkansas

Grantee: James H. Walker, Senior

Item: One Negro man **Andy**, a woman **Ellen** and her infant child **Hiram (Herman)** and a boy **George** slaves for life. The same to be sold at public auction on the 14th day of August 1848 at the courthouse door in said county of Hempstead at which day and place mentioned between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 3 o'clock in the afternoon

Consideration: \$2,119 (Walker being the highest and last bidder)

An execution issued out of the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court on the goods and chattels and tenements of James Gibson, Henry Cheatham, Daniel T. Witter and George Conway which Archibald Yell, Governor of the State of Arkansas for the use of Nicholas J. Perkins has recovered against them as the said writ served 15 Feb 1848. *[Difficult to read]*

Date: 19 Aug 1848

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 202-203

Grantor: James H. Walker

Grantee: James F. Johnson

Item: Negro boy **Heram** aged about 12 years

Consideration: \$404

Date: 9 Oct 1848

Other Names: J.F. Johnson, R.A. Bunson, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 204

Grantor: Donoly M. Cockram

Grantee: Augustus Block & Henry Block

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: **Dick** about 15 and **Emily** about 13 years

Consideration: \$1,050

Date: 10 Sep 1848 Recorded: 20 Oct 1848

Other Names: Matthew Moss; James P. Jett; Lawrence B. Collins, Acting J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 214-215

Grantor: Margaret McDonald, Administrator for the Estate of Samuel McDonald, *deceased*

Grantee: Hewitt Burt

Item: Negroes **Washington** (\$600), **Robin**, (\$650), **Gad** (\$310)

Consideration: Whereas by an order of the Probate Court in and for the County of Hempstead, the undersigned and administrator of the estate of Samuel McDonald, deceased was ordered to sell the above mentioned Negro slaves belonging to the said estate at the courthouse door in the town of Washington, County of Hempstead on the 2nd Monday, July 1848 on a credit of 12 months taking bond with good security for the payment of the purchase with 8% interest. Giving notice of the time and place of said sale by advertisement as required by said order and whereas I did give the notice of the time and place and times of sale.

Date: 10 Oct 1848 Recorded: 30 Oct 1848

Other Names: Simon McDonald, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 233-235

Grantor: Henry Shores & Caroline Shores

Grantee: John Field, Esq.

Item: a certain Negro woman of said Shores named **Mary** aged upwards of 50 years

Consideration:

John Field, Esq. Has become the security of Henry Shores in a certain bond executed by said Shores to George O. Britt in the sum of \$150 with the condition that the said Shores shall appear before John D. Trimble, J.P. and answer the demand of said Britt. George O. Britt having secured a writ of attachment against the goods and chattels, etc. of Shores to secure the payment of the sum of \$70.75 levied upon above named Negro woman. We the said Henry Shores and Caroline Shores his wife do hereby agree that the said Slave Mary shall be placed under the control and possession of John Field and that he is to hold a levy and mortgage on said slave for the amount of debt due George O. Britt. And if said Henry Shores shall fail said debt, John Field shall continue to keep and control slave in his possession until debt is fully paid and discharged.

Date: 4 Nov 1848

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 237-239

Grantor: **Gad Bradley & Ann Bradley** [free persons of color]

Grantee: William Barker

Item: a certain tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Hempstead of ____ bounded and described as follow, to *wit*: the west half of the south east quarter of section twenty seven in townships twelve, south of range twenty two west, also the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty seven in township twelve south of range twenty two west in the district of land subject to sale at Washington, Arkansas containing by estimation, one hundred and twenty acres with all the privileges and appurtenances hereto belonging.

Consideration: \$150

Date: 10 Nov 1848

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 250

Grantor: John L. Bouldin

Grantee: Thomas C. Smith

Item: a Negro man slave for life named **Anthony** aged about 48 years

Consideration: \$500

Date: 24 Nov 1849 Recorded: 11 Dec 1848

Other Names: Joel W. Hannah, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 252-253

Grantor: Elizabeth Moren

Grantee: Augustus Block & Henry Block

Item: a certain Negro woman named **Peggy (Piggy)** about 20 years and her Negro child named **Lucy** about 3 years

Consideration: \$700

Date: 11 Dec 1848

Other Names: Matthew Moss, Levin Moren, Hardin Williams, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 258-259

Grantor: Joanna T. Carrington

Grantee: Abraham Block & David Block

Item: a certain Negro girl about 13 years named **Cynthia**, slave for life

Consideration: \$450

Date: 20 Dec 1848 Recorded: 26 Dec 1848

Other Names: H. Block, Lewis Allen, Acting J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 267-268

Grantor: Margaret McDonald

Grantee: George C. Prater

Item: a certain Negro man named **Roland** aged about 25 years

Consideration: \$600

Date: 4 Jan 1849

Other Names: Simon McDonald, James Araslano, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 270-273

Grantor: James Gibson - 1st part

Grantee: George Hill, John Drennen, Henry L. Biscoe, Sandford C. Faulkner & Ebenzer Walters - 2nd part

Item: the following described Negroes slaves for life to wit: **Clarkey** aged about 37, **Sam** about 30, **John** about 20, **?Luzo** about 13, **Waterman** about 11, **Granville** about 8, **Gad** about 6, **?Jace** about 4 and **Elmer** about 2 years

That the said James Gibson is indebted to the parties of the 2nd part as trustees of the Real Estate Bank of the State of Arkansas and all the above mentioned slaves are in the possession of party of the 2nd part. *(other terms and dates of payments described...)*

Consideration: \$1,482.00

Date: 13 Jan 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 273-274

Grantor: Abraham Block & David Block

Grantee: Michael Mallow

Item: a certain Negro man named **Smith** aged about 23, slave for life

Consideration: \$650

Date: 30 Dec 1848 Recorded: 15 Jan 1849

Other Names: Lewis Allen, Acting J.P.; Simon T. Sanders

Bill of Sale - pp. 280-281

Grantor: John Branch Sanderfur & Mary F. Sanderfur

Grantee: Enoch J. Smith

Item: a certain Negro man named **Bob** about the age of 26

Consideration: \$700

Date: 2 Jan 1849 Recorded: 27 Jan 1849

Other Names: William Clark, Acting J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 296-297

Grantor: Henry P. Johnson

Grantee: **Maria Oakley** - a free woman of color

Item: the following described town lot in the town of Washington, County of Hemsptead in the State of Arkansas to wit: lot number one in block number ?seven being namely nine feet square according to the plat and survey now on record in the office of the clerk of said county

Consideration: \$150

Date: 5 Jan 1849 Recorded: 15 Feb 1849

Other Names: John D. Trimble, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 326- 327

Grantor: Edward Cross

Grantee: John S. Spence

Item: a certain Negro woman named ?**Ary** aged about 55 or 50 years, slave for life

Consideration: \$300

Date: 22 Mar 1849

Other Names: John L. Allen; Rich B. Purdom, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 328

Grantor: Nicholas Trammell & Mary M. Trammell (his wife)

Grantee: Abraham Block & David Block

Item: certain Negroes to wit: **Becca** a Negro woman of yellow complexion aged about 21, **Mary** a Negro girl of light complexion about 3 years and a **Negro boy** of light complexion aged about 1 year, both these are Becca's children

Consideration: \$1,060

Date: 19 Mar 1849 Recorded: 24 Mar 1849

Other Names: James W. Finley, J.P., Wm. Moss, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 333-334

Grantor: George Yates, William Yates, Nancy Stevinson, John Yates & Robert Johnston (husband of Agness Johnston, late Agness Yates, daughter of William Yates, *deceased*) and all heirs and trustees of the estate of William Yates.

Grantee: Mary Yates (widow of William Yates)

Item: Negroes to wit: **Gabriel** a Negro man aged about 20 years and **Jami (Jane)** a woman about 18, both slaves for life

Consideration:

This day with the consent and agreement of Mary Yates, the widow of William Yates, *deceased* have divided and set apart to her own interest, the slaves belonging to the said estate. To have and to hold said slaves during her natural life and at her death, said slaves to revert to heirs (also portions of the personal property, land, etc. belonging to the estate).

Date: 5 Jan 1849 Recorded: 27 Mar 1849

Other Names: Grandison D. Royston (lawyer for Mary Yates), Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 352

Grantor: William Hopson

Grantee: Jas. Calowell

Item: a certain Negro boy named **Jacob** about 7

Consideration: ? __ hundred dollars

This conveyance is intended as a mortgage to secure the payment with 10% interest from the date of these presents until paid, according to the condition of a certain bond dated this day, executed by Janice Williams Hopson to party of the 2nd part.

Date: 5 Mar 1849 Recorded: 7 Apr 1849

Other Names: ?Nivil Hopson, R.D. Gibson, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 370 - 372

Grantor: John B. Sanderfur, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: Sherrod W. Williams

Item: One Negro boy named **Green**, a slave for life about 14 and one girl named **Edy**, a slave for life about 14 (property of William Arnett).

Consideration: \$475 (the highest & last bid)

A judgment rendered 19 Aug 1848 in favor of Peter Boggins and Robert Boggins for the use of J. Flury and Brothers against William Arnett for the debt of \$847.50 with interst. An Execution issued from the Office of the Circuit Court directed to the Sheriff of Hempstead County commanding the goods, chattels, lands and tenaments of the said William Arnett.

Date: 7 May 1849 Recorded: 9 May 1849

Other Names: W.W.L. Collins, M.M. Wyatt, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 372-373

Grantor: John B. Sandefur, Sheriff of Hempstead County

Grantee: Grandison D. Royston

Item: Negro man slave named **Charles**

Consideration: \$560

Received of Royston for the purchase money bid by him for above named Negro, levied and sold by me as sheriff, the property of James Gibson by virtue of an execution issued from the Office of the Clerk, Hempstead Circuit Court on 23 Sep 1848 in favor of Archiball Yell, Governor; for the use of Nichoals J. Perkins against James Gibson, Henry Cheatham, Daniel T. Witter and George Conway

Date: 7 May 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 378

Grantor: Henry Trammell, Executor of the Estate of Phillip Trammell, *deceased* - Drew County, State of Arkansas

Grantee: William Moss

Item: a certain Negro man named Willis age about 22 years of yellow complexion with one eye

Consideration: \$750

Date: 21 Mar 1849 Recorded: 21 May 1849

Other Names: Henry P. Johnson, Jno. W. Paup, Richard B. Purdon, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 406-407

Grantor: William C. Aylett

Grantee: George O. Britt

Item: Five Negroes to wit: ?Lyoice a woman about 35 of dark color and her child named Agnes about 18 months, a boy named Daniel of dark color about 9 years, a boy named Spencer of dark color about 7 and John a boy of dark color about 4 years, all slaves for life

Consideration: \$1,200

Date: 5 Jun 1849 Recorded: 25 Jun 1849

Other Names: James D. Cobb, W.H. Etter, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 407-408

Grantor: Henry Coutts - Lawrence County, State of Arkansas

Grantee: George O. Britt, Town of Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro man named **Jacob** about 21 of a dark copper color and slave for life

Consideration: \$800

Date: 6 Apr 1849 Recorded: 25 Jun 1849

Other Names: W.H. Etter, ?J.N. Jackson, Simon T. Sanders

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 410-411

Grantor: Nathan Gill

Grantee: Augustus Block & Henry Block (Partners trading & doing business under the name and style of Block Brothers in the town of Fulton, Hempstead County, Arkansas)

Item: a certain Negro boy named Lewis about the age of 12 years

Consideration: \$500

The condition of the above obligation is such that Nathan Gill together with Jacob T. Kennedy have this day executed a joint note of writing obligatory to said Block Brothers due and payable on the 1st day of March 1880. If said debt is not paid, then this writing to remain in full force and effect.

Date: 11 Jul 1849

Other Names: Sam Wheat, August Smith, Harden Williams, J.P., Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 420

Grantor: Thomas Williamson & Mary Williamson (his wife)

Grantee: Daniel E. Alexander

Item: the following mentioned and described Negroes, slave for life to wit: a Negro woman named ?Taney about 22 and her child Lucy a girl about 2 years

Consideration: \$900

Date: 30 Dec 1848 Recorded: 6 Jan 1849 (?28 Jul 1849)

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders

Bill of Sale - pp. 423-424

Grantor: Daniel E. Williams

Grantee: Henry P. Johnson

Item: Four Negroes, slaves for life, to wit: one woman named Easter about 23 and her three children: Ellick about 8, Milly about 6 and a boy about 7 months of age

Consideration: \$1,400

Date: 1 Aug 1849 Recorded: 4 Aug 1849

Other Names: Chas. K. Witter, W.V. King, Richard B. Purdom, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 433-434

Grantor: Joanna T. Carrington, Administrator of the Estate of Robert Carrington, *deceased*

Grantee: William Johnson

Item: a certain Negro girl Ann aged about 11 years

Sold at public auction under order of the Probate Court, County of Hempstead as the property of said Robert Carrington.

Consideration: \$346

Date: 19 Nov ?1845 [1849] Recorded: 28 Aug 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed of Gift - pp. 446-447

Grantor: Jefferson Draper

Grantee: Tennessee (his daughter)

Item: a certain Negro girl slave for life named ?Cinder (Linda)

Consideration: \$1 and the natural love and affection I bear towards my daughter.

Date: 13 Sep 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Schedule of Property - pp. 458-459

Robert Cross & Ann H. Cross, his wife - Citizens of the County of Hempstead County, Arkansas & Ann being one of the heirs at law of the late Thomas Wood, Esq. Of Cumberland County, Kentucky hereby declares that the property named in the following schedule was derived through Ann as heir aforesaid to wit: one Negro boy named **Wilson** aged about 16 years now in the possession of Robert and Ann and with a fair value at least \$500

Date: 22 Aug 1849 Recorded: 8 Oct 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 462-463

Grantor: William C. Aylett

Grantee: Thomas Christian

Item: the following described Negro slaves to wit: **Lydia (Lyoice)** a Negro woman slave for life aged about 35 and her child **Agness** about 18 months, **Daniel** a boy about 10 and **Spencer** a boy about 8 years

Consideration: \$1,200

Upon the conditions that said Christian has become bound as my security in a certain replevy bond executed by me to John B. Sanderfur, Sheriff of Hempstead County against George O. Britt for the slaves Lydia & Agness above named. Christian has become bond as my security to G.D. Royston & Benjamin Hempstead for the sum of \$100. Now, if the said William C. Aylett will & truly save and keep harmless the said Christian from the payment of said sum or any part of them & all costs, interest & damages that my accrue against him in consequence of said securityship for me; this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Date: 15 Oct 1849

Other Names: Sid Mackin, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 467-468

Grantor: Joel W. Hannah - Washington, Arkansas - Agent for George Hannah & Robert Bouldin of Charlotte County, State of Virginia

Grantee: Benjamin L. Brittan - Hempstead County, State of Arkansas

Item: One girl named **Ritta** about 16 and boy **George** about 9, one boy **Levi** about 7, one boy **Wyatt** about 7 and an **infant** about 18 months; all the children of a woman named **Elmiree**

Consideration: \$1,525

Date: 22 May 1849 Recorded: 25 Oct 1849

Other Names: James T. Wood; Lewis Allen, J.P.

Bill of Sale - pp. 468-469

Grantor: Benjamin L. Brittan

Grantee: George Hannah

Item: grant, bargain, sell and convey all of the right title, claim and interest that I have in and to the following mentioned and described Negroes, slaves for life: **Ritta** about 16, **George** about 9, **Levi** about 7, **Wyatt** about 5 and **Oliver** an infant about 18 months.

Consideration: \$1,525

Date: 13 Oct 1849 Recorded: 25 Oct 1849

Other Names: Wm. W. Andrews; Lewis Allen, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 471-472

Grantor: George W. Smith - 1st part

Grantee: Eliza Ann Sanderfur - 2nd part

Item: One Negro woman named Dicy about 28 years, dark complexion and child named Diley aged about 4 years

Witnesseth that party of the 2nd part is entitled in her own right to certain personal property named above. Therefore in consideration of a marriage to be solemnized between the said parties. The party of the 1st part doth hereby agree and covenant with party of the 2nd part that not with standing said marriage, said Negro woman and child and all the property which party of the 2nd part may hereafter become possessed of, shall remain the sole and separate use of said party of the 2nd part and the party of the 1st part forever free from debts, incumbrances, control and management.

Consideration: \$1 (to the party of the 1st part)

Date: 8 Aug 1849 Recorded: 29 Oct 1849

Other Names: Seaton ?T____, Charles H. ?T____, Neil Munn, J.P.; S.T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 472

Grantor: ?Alese McDonald & Ann McDonald - Lafate [Lafayette]County, Arkansas

Grantee: Eliza Ann Smith

Item: \$500

Consideration: 29 Oct 1849

Date: a Negro slave Alfred, a boy aged 10 years

Other Names: ?D.F. Oman, Elizabeth McDonald, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 475-476

Grantor: Thomas Stuart - Attorney for Alfred Thompson, Elizabeth Thompson, Henry O'Daniel, Patsy O'Daniel, James Thompson, Samuel Thompson, Rachael Wright, Joseph Thompson, John Morrow & Mary Morrow, heirs at law of Robert Morrow, *deceased*

Grantee: James H. Walker

Item: the following Negroes viz: Isaac, Hannah, Esther, Frank, Nelson, Ben, Joseph, Rhody, Mary, Murice, Cinda (Linda), Aleck, Aby, Casy, Ann and Matilda, Negroes slaves for life formerly the property of said Morrow (Bois D' Arc Township)

Consideration: \$4,000

Date: 27 Sep 1849 Recorded: 5 Nov 1849

Other Names: R.A. Brunson, M.V. Cheatham, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 480-481

Grantor: William C. Aylett

Grantee: Thomas Christian

Item: the following Negro slaves to wit: one boy named Daniel aged about 10 years and one boy named Spencer about 7 years

Consideration: \$700

Date: 7 Nov 1849

Other Names: Rich B. Purdom, J.P.; T.D. Atkinson; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 548-549

Grantor: Susana Stuart, Neman E. Stuart, Augustus Stuart, George W. Stuart, George Conway & Sarah Conway (his wife), R.H. Conway & Emily Conway (his wife), [Elijah A. Stuart]

Grantee: Abraham Block

Item: a certain Negro man slave for life named Will

Consideration: \$1,000

Date: 4 Dec 1849 Recorded: 5 Dec 1849

Other Names: Rich B. Purdom, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 550-551

Grantor: Harry Black

Grantee: Joseph McKillian

Item: the Negroes to wit: one girl about the age of 12, the other a boy about 6 years

Consideration: \$700 - If paid on or before 1 Jan 1850, this obligation to be null and void.

Date: 5 Dec 1849 Recorded: 17 Dec 1849

Other Names: David Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 551

Grantor: Caleb Starr - Cherokee Nation

Grantee: Abraham Block & David Block - Hempstead County

Item: a certain Negro man aged about 28 years named Lewis, slave for life

Consideration: \$650

Date: 18 Dec 1849

Other Names: Wm. R. Elliott, Virginius Block, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 552-553

Grantor: James Harvey Black - Hempstead County, State of Arkansas

Grantee: Albert Rush - Union County, State of Arkansas

Item: a certain Negro boy slave, George about 18

Consideration: \$800

Date: 18 Dec 1849 Recorded: 20 Dec 1849

Other Names: J.B. Sanderfur, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 553-554

Grantor: James H. Walker

Grantee: Ezekiel Nance

Item: the following named slaves to wit: Isaac, Hannah, Esther, Frank, Nelson, Ben, Joseph, Rhody, Mary, Murice, Cinda (Linda), Elick (Aleck), Aly (Aby), Casy, Ann and Matilda

The same slaves conveyed to me by Thomas Stuart as the attorney for the legal heirs of Robert Morrow, deceased by deed or bill of sale under date of September 27, 1849.

Consideration: \$10

Date: 19 Dec 1849 Recorded: 21 Dec 1849

Other Names: M.V. Cheatham, C. Cheatham

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - pp. 559-560

Grantor: Joseph McKillian

Grantee: Jonathan Black

Item: two Negroes to wit: one a girl about the age of 12 years, the other a boy about 6 years

The Negroes conveyed to me, the said McKillian by Harvey Black by bill of sale dated

5 Dec 1849.

Consideration: \$700

Date: 31 Dec 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - pp. 560-561

Grantor: Jonathan Black

Grantee: Joseph McKillian

Item: a Negro boy named Tilman aged about 4 years and a slave for life

Consideration: \$500

The said Jonathan Black is indebted to McKillian for which Black has executed to McKillian his bond or writing obligatory payable 12 months with 10% interest.

Date: 31 Dec 1849

Other Names: Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Bill of Sale - p. 565

Grantor: Ezekiel Nance

Grantee: Henry Brewer

Item: a Negro man named Nelson aged about 28 years

Consideration: \$755

Date: 1 Jan 1850 Recorded: 8 Jan 1850

Other Names: J.S. Owens, J.C. Munroe, Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Book H - Deed Records - 1847 - 1850

Bill of Sale - pp. 572 - 573

Grantor: Lazarus ?Gastin (Gaston)

Grantee: Augustus Block & Henry Block - Partners trading & doing business under the name and style of Block Bro.

Item: the following described Negroes to wit: Nancy a woman about 30 years of age and her child Arm about 8 years, Jacob or Jake about 30 years

Consideration: \$450

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas I execute my note or writing obligatory to Block Bro. on 1 Jan 1850, I Lazarus ?Gastin do pay or cause to be paid the above described note and interest therein on or before 1 Jun 1850, then this obligation to be void and of no effect. If not paid, said Block Bro. is authorized to take possession of Negroes and dispose of them at public auction by giving (20) days notice of the day of sale, it being understood that no more Negroes are to be sold than enough to pay off the before described note and interest thereon.

Date: 10 Jan 1850 Recorded: 14 Jan 1850

Other Names: S.C. Wheat, A.C. Smith, Herdon Williams, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

Deed Book H - 1847-1850 Hempstead County, Arkansas

Bill of Sale - p. 578-580

Grantor: E.H. Watson

Grantee: Willis Wilson

Item: the following property to wit: one Negro boy named **Tom** aged about 9 years old of a bright mulatto color

Consideration: \$500

Date: 12 Jan 1850 Recorded: 18 Jan 1850

Other Names: William L. McCain, L. Wilson, Lewis Ball, J.P.; Simon T. Sanders, Clerk

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